

### The Autumn Quarter.

The sun enters the first point of Libra just before the stroke of eleven in the morning of September 23rd, when the last decanate of the sign Scorpio will be rising, and Mars ruler of the figure will be elevated above the rest of the planets in Virgo, and close to the meridian. This position points to a stirring quarter, with danger of interested efforts of armchair warriors working for war, while warlike rumours will be heard from other parts abroad. It also signifies much trouble, annoyances of officialism, and danger to Royalty, and as the Sun applies to the parallel and opposition of Saturn from the tenth and fourth houses, there will be more than usual sickness and deaths in high places. Some notable lawyer, divine, and highly-titled personage will pass to the great beyond, the latter in a tragic manner. Better times are shown for the national exchequer, for Jupiter part ruler of the second is conjoined with the moon, though the position of Uranus in the second will still account for many fluctuations and losses. Saturn so close to the fifth house is bad for children and the birthrate, and the decline of the latter during this quarter will be great. Theatres and music-halls will suffer, and in all probability we shall hear of the deaths of some noted popular favourites, male and

female artists. The public health will improve, foreign affairs will be extremely satisfactory, and an increase in the marriage rate will take place. A notable engagement or marriage is likely to occur, in which Royalty and high life will figure. Colonial affairs will improve, and foreign trade will benefit. The position of Mercury in the eleventh house shows much activity in Parliamentary circles and a more rational and harmonious state of affairs in the Commons. Some important changes in Parliament are presignified.

### United States.

At Washington, the Sun will be just rising, and Saturn setting, an augury of foreign diplomatic troubles and disputes with other Powers. Mercury in the second is good for trade and commerce, and will benefit the Exchequer. Scandals in public life will occur, and notable men will be under disgrace. Mars in the twelfth points to much crime and lawlessness. At San Francisco, Venus will be rising, foreshadowing a more prosperous time for the city. Railways and traffic will benefit, and the financial conditions of the people will improve, although Mars in the second points to increased taxation. Some storms and shipping disasters are threatened off the coast in October.

**Japan.**

At Tokio, Taurus will rise, and Venus be in the fourth house, indicating a successful quarter, especially for agriculturalists. Some accidents on railways are shown, and mortality among children. Trade will improve considerably.

**China.**

At Pekin, Uranus culminates, with Neptune on the lower meridian, and Mercury setting. Much trouble to the ruling powers is shown, a probability of an alteration in the marriage laws, and of a commercial treaty with another power. Much crime is shown, and a tidal wave is threatened in the Eastern Seas.

**Australia.**

At Melbourne, Venus is in the fourth house, promising a very good time for land-owners and agriculturists. The weather will be warm, with a fair amount of rain. Trade will improve. A fire is threatened in a theatre or school. The ingress is not favourable for New Zealand, there being an indication of a want of rain, and shortage of crops. Fires are likely to do damage. Saturn in the eleventh house will disturb the House of Representatives, and a General Election is probable.

**South Africa.**

At Capetown, Saturn is close to the lower meridian, and Neptune rising. This is bad for the Colony, denoting a determined attack against the Government, who will be in danger of defeat. Neptune rising will cause many internal troubles, racial disputes and much involved action. Accidents in mines are likely.

**India.**

At Calcutta, Mars is setting, which is ominous of border warfare and unrest among the border tribes. Venus and Jupiter in the sixth house will benefit the public health, and a decrease in the plague is shown. An improvement generally will be manifest during the quarter. At Bombay, Uranus will be

rising and Neptune setting, showing a good deal of unrest among the people. There will be much mortality among notable people.

**Europe.**

At St. Petersburg, Mercury will be in the tenth house at the moment of ingress, denoting honours to men of science and letters. Mars in the ninth is bad for shipping and religious affairs. The position of Venus points to many deaths among the fair sex, especially among the upper classes. At Berlin the sun is culminating, and Saturn in the fourth. This is ominous for the ruling powers; shows a cold and inclement season, distress in the land, and attacks against financial schemes of the Government. The Kaiser will suffer from this ingress, and will find his schemes undergoing defeat. Some high dignitary is in danger of disgrace.

At Paris, Mars will be culminating, and in the ruling sign of the City. This points to disorders among the working classes, danger of incendiarism, many accidents, while one great city conflagration will do considerable damage. Lyons and Toulouse will also suffer from fires.

**Special.**

Mars culminating in Long. 4 E. denotes fires and incendiarism in this locality. At 23 E., Saturn is on the nadir, indicating a danger of seismic disturbances and inclement weather. Troubles with crops and stock are foreshadowed in S. America, especially in Brazil, Monte Video, and Buenos Ayres, for Neptune culminates and Uranus is on the nadir at these places.

**General.**

England, Germany, and places under Aries will suffer from Saturn in their ruling sign opposing the Sun; Paris, Turkey, Lyons, and places under Virgo will suffer from the position of Mars, although the conjunction of the Moon and Jupiter in Virgo will bring many benefits. Turkey will benefit considerably later in the quarter when Mars has left the sign. Japan will feel the benefic effects of Venus in Leo.

### The Stock Exchange.

All Home Rails will still droop. Sell them and buy Yankees—Baltimores for a big rise. All Mexican stocks will climb up strongly, and South Africans good all through the month, except the last week. For investment, all Foreign Government stocks good, peace being assured for a long time.

## Almanack Predictions

FOR OCTOBER, 1908.

### Old Moore.

The new Moon points to illness or bereavement in Royal circles and high positions. A tower in the political world will pass from us, much respected and mourned for by friends and political opponents. Some strikes are threatened in collieries and factories. A marriage looks imminent between one of high degree in France with one of the Court beauties. A crisis will take place in the position of our leading railways, calling for State interference to save the situation.

### Raphael.

A high rate of mortality, especially among old people and those in high life, and a death of some notable man in the Legal world. Danger of strikes, bad trade, slackness of work, and distress and want. Trouble through Foreign Powers, some notable marriages, but many divorce and marriage scandals. Deaths in high life, and much mortality from bowel complaints.

### Zadkiel.

A serious crisis is threatened in Europe, North and Central America, and Africa. The rulers of Austria and Portugal will not escape the scourge of old Saturn. Shocks of earthquake are threatened in Austria, Servia, Central America, and Cape Colony on or about 1st, 7th, and 18th. Turkey, Switzerland, and places under Virgo will benefit. The last week promises great extension of trade and commerce of this country. Shipowners and shipping mer-

chants will have a busy and profitable time. Some wonderful new inventions in applied Science.

### Orion.

Dissensions and a good deal of unsettlement among the working classes, political excitement, strikes, and demonstrations. Harassing time for the Government and Sovereign. Royalty will suffer in particular and the hand of death will fall heavily. Frequent disasters, death by fires and explosion, shocks of earthquake, and mining accidents. Much scandal and strange doings among the upper classes. Many fashionable weddings.

### Francis Moore.

Illness in Royal circles and among notable people, and death will strike many of high position in the land. A man of great note and position will join the great majority. Trade and money in a poor condition, much want and privation, strikes and disturbances. Many marriages of note. A Royal marriage or betrothal. A startling discovery in Science. Deaths from dysentery and bowel complaint.

Deafness has often given rise to comical situations, and occasionally to no little unpleasantness. A capital illustration of the awkward results sometimes attendant upon a loss of the sense of hearing is narrated. In a fashionable church in the provinces the clergyman had just announced that a christening service would be held in the afternoon, and that parents must bring their children before three o'clock. What was the astonishment of the congregation when the clerk suddenly jumped up and supplemented the announcement by saying, "Persons who have not got any may be supplied in the vestry at sixpence apiece!" The clerk had mistaken the clergyman's notice. He thought the reverend gentleman was speaking about a new hymn-book which had just been issued.

Almanacks for Astrologers:—Raphael's 7d., with Ephemeris, 1s. 1d.; Zadkiel's, 7d.; Orion's, 7d.; Francis Moore's, 7d.; Old Moore's, 3d., the 1d. Edition, six for 6d. W. FOULSHAM & Co., 4, Pilgrim Street, Ludgate Hill, London, E.C.

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## Astronomical Phenomena

FOR OCTOBER 1908.

### The Moon's Phases.

First Quarter,	3rd	...	6h. 14m. morn.
Full Moon,	9th	...	9h. 3m. aft.
Last Quarter,	17th	...	3h. 35m. morn.
New Moon,	25th	...	6h. 47m. morn.

### Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in the sign Libra till 23rd ; enters Scorpio at 7.37 p.m. on that day.
- ☿. MERCURY is an evening star in Scorpio, fairly well placed for observation at the beginning of the month.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Leo at the beginning of the month ; enters Virgo on the 8th, and ♄ ♀ on the 13th at 10.14 p.m.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Virgo ; enters Libra on 10th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Virgo.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Aries ; rises due east just after sunset.
- ♅. URANUS is in Capricorn ; South about midnight.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer ; not well placed for observation.

For the Moon's position see "Birthday Influences," page 14.

### The Weather.

The month opens warm, inclined to be stormy ; mild about 4th, changeable 6th to 10th. High winds and storms threatened about 13th to 14th. Changeable to 17th ; gales about 18th ; probably finer from 20th to 24th. High winds at close of month.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

## Table Turning.

IN our March issue we gave a chapter on Table-turning, with illustrated design of instructions. The subject is now quite popular, as our readers will see by our extract from the London *Evening News*, August 27th, 1908.

### MR. H. W. LUCY'S EXPERIENCE WITH SPIRIT OF DICKENS !

"Thirty years ago I sought and found opportunity of testing the genuineness of table-turning, a practice at the time much in vogue. With three other persons, equally honestly in search of the truth, we sat down and joined outstretched hands on a small table.

"Presently it began to move, and there followed the customary catechism as to the identity of the spirit who honoured us with his (or her) company. This was tried in succession by my three companions, who, reciting the alphabet in accordance with the formula, asked the visitor to "rap once" when a desired letter was reached.

"The table gyrated with great vigour, but the alphabet was in each case exhausted without the desired spiritual acquiescence in a particular letter helping to spell a word. My turn coming round, I renewed the effort. When I came to the letter C, the rim of the table prodded me in the chest with evidently joyous assent. Similar token was forthcoming when I got to the letter H ; and so on, until Charles Dickens was spelt out.

"Then followed a quite friendly conversation, in the course of which the great novelist, four years dead, bade me call on his son Charles, at the time editor of "Household Words," whom he assured me I should find in a friendly mood.

"What puzzled me at the time, as seeming altogether incongruous, was the way my interlocutor mis-spelled his words. Written down, they read out playfully ungrammatical. When, a year or two later, Forster's "Life of Dickens" was published, I found that in the privacy of communication with his most intimate friend, "Boz" used occasionally to write in that way. For example, inviting Forster to dine with him at Jack Straw's Castle, Hampstead Heath, he wrote, "I knows a good 'ouse where we can have a red-hot chop for dinner and a glass of good wine."

"This is perhaps the most striking point of the episode. Practical persons explain the vagaries of conversation through the medium of table-turning by averring that, unconsciously, the inquirer supplies the answer received. As I had at the time never heard of Dickens's humorous disregard for spelling and grammar when writing to Forster, I certainly could not have been responsible for that singular phase of the communications."

Another subject likely to be dwelt on is the Planchette, or mysterious writer. We can supply Planchettes now complete in box for 4s. 6d., post free, from this office.

# Horoscopes of Notable Men.

I.—H.R.H. The Prince of Wales.

**H**IS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES was born at 1.18 a.m. on 3rd June, 1865, at Marlborough House, London, when the planetary bodies were placed as in the annexed diagram.

The sign Aries was rising, with Neptune therein, Venus and Mercury in the sign Taurus, the former dignified by sign, the Sun in Gemini on the cusp of the third house, Uranus on the cusp of the fourth, Mars in the fifth, the Moon and Saturn in the seventh, and Jupiter the most elevated planet, dignified in Sagittarius close to the meridian. There are three planets dignified, two by house and one by exaltation, while no less than five are angular; hence the nativity is a strong one, and shows great prosperity and dignity. The Moon is the hyleg, but has the sextile of Mars, which will give plenty of vitality and bodily heat, and as this planet is lord of the ascendant, it will give bodily strength and ability to overcome sickness. Slight affections of the head, lungs, and kidneys are to be feared at times, while feverish complaints appear to be those to be most guarded against.

The nature is frank, enterprising, confident, generous, and active, with ability to

be at the head of things and power to hold his own in life. The character is aspiring and ambitious, versatile, tactful, intellectual, interested in science or literature, but inclined to be restless. The disposition is refined, genial, affable, and courteous, imitative and intuitive, with artistic tastes, refinement, and evenness of temper.

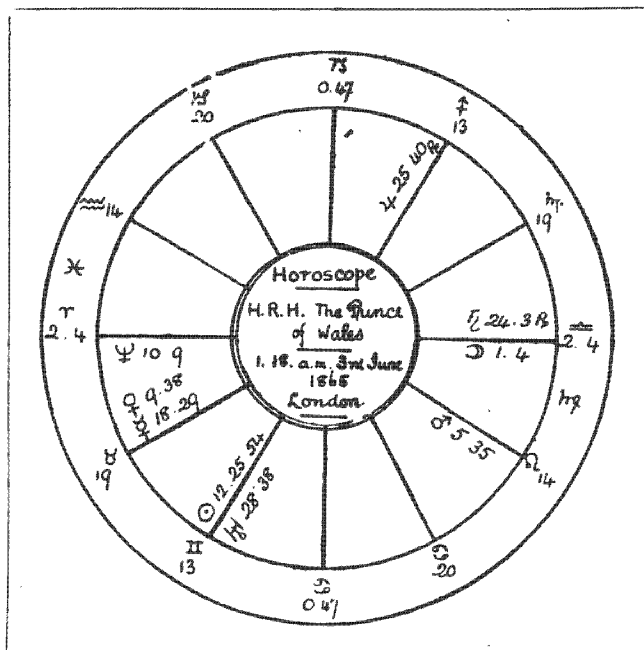
Mercury and the Moon being disposed of by Venus, the mentality is refined, benignant, fond of

music, cheerful, kind, happy, well-disposed, modest, easily reconciled, fond of arts and sciences, and amiable. Mercury and Venus in parallel will make the mind learned, scientific and judicious, fond of law and divinity, eloquent, kind-hearted, well-disposed, high-minded, and courteous.

The position of Neptune should be noted with great interest

on account of its connection with the sea and Naval matters, for the Prince is an Admiral of the British Navy, and has taken several long sea voyages.

Now, in regard to the future of our illustrious subject, it is not pleasing to note that the Sun is now directed to the square of Saturn, an influence which operates from 1908 to 1910. Saturn, being in the seventh house, may bring trouble through the wife, but it must not be forgotten that Saturn



rules the midheaven, which denotes the father. It is therefore clear that a family loss is foreshadowed in the very near future.

The year 1909 seems to be one of the worst periods, owing to the stationary position of Saturn in Aries, in the summer in square to the Sun P, and opposition to Saturn R, while in the spring of 1910 the same planet will again transit the same critical degrees.

Two years later Mercury will reach the sextile of the Sun's radical place, which shows considerable travel and journeys. We have not the time or space at our disposal to comment further on this interesting horoscope. In comparison with it will be found on another page the horoscope of the Prince's wife, H.R.H. The Princess of Wales.

## Signs of the Times.

THE shop window to me always fascinating, draws me to its gas-lit front, and I see Old Moore's Almanacks are in the windows again. I look eagerly for my favourite one, and always go into a reverie about almanacks as they were in my young days. Twelve miles from a railway station, we were very much out of the world, and there was quite an excitement when the itinerant salesman came round with his pack of almanacks at sixpence apiece. I saw one yesterday in a window which looked exactly like the old one. On the prophecies, the hieroglyphics, the star symbols my young eyes gazed with awe. Since those days they have started "Old Moore's" for a penny apiece. I have bought one within the last fortnight.

But to go back to Old Moore. He was born at Bridgnorth in 1656, went to London and became an assistant to Partridge, the almanack-maker, who died in 1714. Swift drove him to the very confines of madness by his bitter satire. There were several Almanacks published by the Stationers' Company early in the seventeenth century, copies of which may be seen in the British Museum Library. They were all, I believe, offering prognostics from the sun and moon, and also from thunderstorms, and from dreams. One day was favourable for the letting of blood, another for sowing seed, another for the commencement of a new business. All this went on within my memory. But to return to Old Moore. As I have said already, he became assistant to Partridge, and lived in Lambeth High-street. In 1698, having obtained a licence to practice physic, he set up on his own account as physician, astrologer, and schoolmaster. It appears to have been with the object of advertising some

wonderful pills (still popular remedies, see advertisement on cover) of his own compounding that in 1699 he published his first Almanack—*Kalendarium Ecclesiasticum, a new twofold Calendar*. In this compilation his prophecies are confined to the weather. Next year he published the first edition of his *Vox Stellarum*, in which the "Astrological Observations" are a prominent feature. He died in 1714. "Moore's Almanack" was carried on after his death by Andrews, astrological calculator to the Board of Longitude, and he did it with such skill and success that he is said to have increased the sale from 10,000 to 500,000. For his services he received £28 per annum. The largest impressions of any single book before the days of penny literature were those of "Moore's Almanack."

The late Rev. S. J. Johnson, Vicar of Melplash, gave a few years ago some very interesting information about early almanacks, which will interest the reader. He derives the name from A. S. "Almon-aught" (at moon-heed) a square piece of stick on which our Saxon forefathers were accustomed to carve the courses of the moon. This, however, is not unquestioned. The Century Dictionary gives the worn an Arab origin, *Al Manach*, the Diary, from *Manah*, "to compute or distribute." The first use of the word is by Roger Bacon, in his *Opus Magnum* (1267), who applies it to permanent tables showing the movements of the heavenly bodies. Mr. Johnson was a collector of old Almanacks; among them there was a volume containing ten for 1640, which belonged to Bishop Juxon. A copy for 1662 has the log of a coasting vessel from Newcastle to London written on its spare leaves. He says that his copies of Partridge's are filled with violent Protestantism, and year after year is dated from "the horrid Papist Plot," to wit, that revealed by Titus Oates! And yet each day of the Calendar, except Sundays and Saints Days, bore the name of some black-letter saint, not merely of the English, but of the Roman Communion. It was carefully compiled and useful, and sold for ninepence.

By-the-bye, a contemporary of Old Moore was Jack Ketch. This man was the executioner who beheaded the Duke of Monmouth (1685). He struck again and again, but the body continued to move. Yells rose from the crowd. At length Ketch flung down the axe with a curse. "I cannot do it," he said; my heart fails me." "Fling him over the rails," roared the mob. By-and-bye the axe was taken up. Two more blows extinguished the last remains of life, but a knife was used to separate the head from the shoulders. In 1686 Ketch was turned out of his office for insulting one of the sheriffs, and was succeeded by one Rose, a butcher. But in four months Rose himself was hanged, and Ketch was reinstated. He beheaded Lord Russell.

A Roman Catholic cleric in New Jersey objects as strongly to large hats on ladies' heads as an English *matinée*-goer. He has taken the drastic step of saying that women who wear them in his church will not be blessed. This will be nothing new to them; for they are not even "blessed" in our theatres. It is generally a case of the opposite word.

# An Astrological Guide to Health, Success and Happiness

## INTRODUCTION.

**W**E are often asked to give simple and instructive articles which will enable our readers to make use of their horoscopes as a guide to success and happiness, and also to enable them to know in what localities to live to ensure success or for better health. It is only too well known that much of our success and happiness in life depends upon our immediate surroundings and environment, and even in the position of the house we live in, and we can therefore understand that it is quite within the possibilities of each one of us to improve our temporal and material conditions, by following the lines of least resistance as shown in the horoscope. The following series of articles have been written for the express purpose of meeting the wishes of our correspondents in these particular directions. They form in reality an illustrative guide to the horoscope so far as relates to Health, Success, and Happiness, and the simple rules and instructions laid down will enable those who possess a slight elementary knowledge of Astrology to put them to a practical use for the benefit of themselves and others. Such is the aim and wish of the writer.

## CHAPTER I.

### GENERAL OUTLINES.

The first things necessary for my readers in the study of the subjects above mentioned, are a copy of "Raphael's Key or Guide to Astrology," and a correctly drawn map of their horoscopes. If any of my readers are in want of the Guides, write to the publishers; if a horoscope, they can obtain it at a nominal cost (see the advertisements on cover).

It is also necessary that they should be fairly well acquainted with the terms employed in reading horoscopes, and with the

symbols of the different signs, planets, and aspects; in fact, should have a general all-round knowledge of the elementary principles of Astrology. Equipped with these three requisites, we shall open the first—the "Key to Astrology"—at page 39, Part 2, and our studies will comprise all of this part and of the succeeding one. That relating to directions will be left out of the question for the present. Part 2 comprises ten chapters, one for each of the planets, Neptune excepted, giving their signification when in the twelve houses, and of their aspects one with another. Each of these chapters require thoroughly digesting, and the various significations committed to memory. Part 3 deals with the judgment of the horoscope, and contains several chapters touching upon the Health, Financial prospects, Employment, Marriage, Travelling, etc. It is with this part we shall pay more particular attention.

*Health.*—In dealing with this part of our subject, we shall show how the human body is governed by the various signs and planets; how different positions and aspects cause disorders and complaints. Simple hygienic remedies will then be given, and instructions for following a more natural method of living in accordance with the horoscope will occupy a prominent place.

*Success.*—Under the heading of this comes several subjects. Finance, Position, Employment, Environment, and matters connected with the material and temporal welfare of life. We shall show the best occupation or employment in life, whether a professional or business life shall be undertaken; the best occupation for financial success or for honour and reputation; where to live for success; the selection of a house; and all matters of a similar nature which will be conducive to welfare.

*Happiness.*—Under this title we shall deal with marital and domestic happiness—how to choose a wife or husband astrologically;

how to remedy inharmonious influences, and, by the use of the Science, bring around us those who are conducive to our mutual good and happiness.

Many of these subjects have been dealt with objectively in the series of articles on the "Practical Uses of Astrology" in the previous volume. In this series we are applying these practical uses to the horoscope, and showing how that may be applied to each one of us.

Now, it must not be understood or supposed that I am trying to make it possible for people to live a perfectly healthy or successful life, with never a tithe of unhappiness or domestic infelicity. It is not always possible, for instance, to choose a place of residence suitable both for health and wealth. We may gain success in one locality which is not favourable for the health, or *vice versa*. There are some horoscopes where success is denied, where ill-health is a drawback right through life, or where unhappiness and domestic troubles are a blot on the life.

Again, we cannot expect everything to be made for our benefit. We may have a horoscope with financial success but domestic infelicity; another with honour and reputation, but with weak health. What is shown in the horoscope is the root of the evil; we cannot entirely eradicate it, but we can prevent the roots from spreading. Whatever the evil is, we can mitigate and minimise it, whether it be in health or success or happiness, and it lies entirely with ourselves, in the proper use we make of our horoscopes, what our lot is in this world. A horoscope with squares or oppositions is not altogether evil, any more than one with sunny trines and sextiles will make the life all smiles and happiness.

Hence we shall see, as these articles proceed, how we can benefit ourselves by a proper and judicious use of our horoscopes.

E. H. BAILEY.

(To be Continued.)

## Book Reviews.

THE INFLUENCE OF THE STARS. By Ptolemy. Translated into English by Ashmand. Price 12s. 6d.

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# The Passionate Man and Fiery Woman.

By ASTROLABUS.

I HAVE received several suggestions from readers of "ours" as to articles which would prove interesting, together with requests to write such articles. Among them, one correspondent is particularly desirous of seeing my handling of the above theme. Generally speaking, in a journal like OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER, it is not safe to cater for an individual few; but in the present case it has seemed to me that my correspondent, in suggesting the above, very probably has felt the pulse of the multitude.

We are all interested in the types of human nature which may be classed as fiery, passionate, etc., since it is from this type that most of the romance and adventure of the world proceeds. These folk seem to be an elementary type of humanity, with single purpose, brooking no obstacle to the attainment of their desired goal.

Astrologically speaking, they bear, of course, the strong imprint of the martial characteristics, and this accounts for the suddenness and violence of their thoughts, feelings, and actions. Whenever the horoscope of such a person is studied, one invariably finds that Mars has much power therein, and the ways in which this power is exerted determine the particular part of the life force which is impregnated with the martial fire.

Now, the martial impress may operate in any one of the three realms of human activity, as hinted above—viz., thought, feeling, and action; or, to put it in the form generally used—mental, emotional, and physical. It may, as I say, operate in any one of these three, any two of them, or, in some rare cases, all three; and when this latter is the case, it may cause such a nature and life as may well cause us to apostrophize Mars as the poet did, in the words, "O star of strength."

The impress of the planet upon the mentality will generally be shown by some aspect more or less powerful of Mars to Mercury or the Moon; that upon the emotional by an aspect of Mars to Venus; while the influence, when exerted upon the physical, will be mainly denoted by an aspect of Mars to the Sun. In all this, I beg my readers to observe that I am not trying to make up an astro-philosophy of my own, nor do I attempt to infuse astrology by pouring theosophical notions liberally upon it. I hold strongly to the teaching of Ptolemy, and, in my humble opinion, only those are safe who do so.

To deal, first, with the mental manifestation. When the Moon is aspected by Mars without Mercury at the same time that Mercury is not dignified or favourably aspected, it will produce mental ability of the imitative order only. Such a subject will learn things readily by imitation, and as readily forget them. Those branches of human efforts and ideas which will most engage the mind in such a case, will depend mainly upon the signs of the zodiac in which Mars and the Moon may be placed. These

folk will in general correspond with the shallow soil of the parable—fiery enthusiasm and ardour for anything, followed by indifference. When Mercury is aspected by the Moon or by Mars, in such a case, however, the subject will be most versatile, able to handle figures, learn languages, and engage in almost any mental effort. But the fieryness is still there, and fires burn out. Without some steadying aspect from Jupiter or Saturn, all this energy will be turned first upon one thing and then upon another. The enthusiasm will be great, but the perseverance small. And indeed this is the chief point about the fiery man and woman—*great enthusiasm but little perseverance*. This, of course, is only true when no other aspects are in operation to steady the same.

In the emotional realm it is the same. Passionate love characterises those with Venus aspected by Mars; but "the fiercer the fire, the quicker it burns out." Nevertheless, they are capable of very exalted states of feeling, in which life itself is easily sacrificed for the beloved object. But the loves of these folk are seldom unaccompanied by jealousy, sometimes called the lover's hell. There are those who say that true love is always accompanied by jealousy. I do not, and never have believed it. Jealousy is, as I have said before, one of the accompaniments, and generally a "running accompaniment," of the martial or fiery love and emotion. But these fiery lovers so soon forget their loved ones and turn to others. That is probably the reason they are jealous. They know their own inconstancy, often without acknowledging it, and they fall into that common error of humanity—the judging of all others by their own yard-stick.

In these athletic times, it will surely not need many words from me to remind my readers of the restless "ENERGY" of Sport. Energy in all connected with it. Indeed, one hears so very much about sport, that one would almost be led to believe that the love of sport for its own sake was universal. But it is not so. These physical Mars people, characterised by the enthusiasm before-mentioned, make such a noise about their sport, that people sometimes are deluded into thinking that we are all going sport mad. How very few of these people have the *perseverance* to keep at one line of sport all their life. This brings out the Mars characteristic, enthusiasm and energy without perseverance. Please do not forget that I am talking of the *pure* Mars character. In this matter of sport, in which the physical Mars man or woman leads (they who have Mars in aspect to the Sun at birth), I often think it is the tail wagging (or trying to wag) the dog. There will, however, be an awakening from this idiotic state, in which all this magnificent energy and enthusiasm for bodily development is running to waste. There is a noble task for some English physical Mars man, *i.e.* (with Mars in aspect to Sun and Mercury), who is also an enthusiast and mental Mars man. Let such an one direct the youth of this country in training them.

selves voluntarily in running and long distance walking; in rifle-shooting at targets, and there will result such an array of men used to marching and shooting, that the fear of invasion will for ever disappear from Englishmen's minds.

The Mars influence, to sum up, gives great enthusiasm but little perseverance. The latter is the gift of Jupiter or Saturn. But let us not despise the enthusiast. He, above all, is the man for the forlorn hope, the martyr for a just cause, the leader of opinion—for a time. And as a rule he is a born leader, so that followers rise in plenty to carry out his ideas. The highest of these types of fiery or empassioned men and women is, as I stated at the beginning, the one who has the Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, and Mars well aspected among themselves. And these are the born leaders.

### The Man of Peace and the Peace-Loving Woman.

Just as there are some people who are never happier than when engaging in a struggle with others—born fighters and pioneers as we might call them, so also there are men and women to whom strife of any and every kind is extremely repugnant. They love peace and quietness, and are prepared to sacrifice almost anything in order to secure a continuance of this peace. Of course, between the extreme types of the fiery person and the peace-loving individual there are an infinite number of gradations. In my previous sketch and in the present I take the extreme; and samples of these extremes occur far more frequently than some are willing to admit.

Now, the peaceful person is nearly always one who has in his or her horoscope an absence of that class of influence to which I directed our readers' attention in the preceding article; and, besides this, have in their horoscopes some prominent influences of Jupiter and Venus. It will usually be found that the conjunction sextile and trine of these two planets from airy signs produce the most notorious peace-lovers. These subjects are always especially to be remarked for their gentleness of of manner and mildness of disposition. When similar positions are found from watery signs, the same effects follow to a less degree. These natures are most amiable, but they are apt to be imposed upon by reason of their gentleness, and, consequently, they are not the best fitted to battle with what often proves for them a harsh and unfeeling world. When the aspects occur from fiery signs there is a far greater firmness of character, and a touch of dignity which often prevents a great deal of the imposition which is practised upon the former types. When the Moon enters into this configuration, it renders the character in the case of a woman more womanly and sympathetic with suffering. In the case of a man, particularly if the Moon is weak, it inclines to the production of an effeminate character.

If the Sun be found with this configuration in the case of a woman, it makes her have a strong sense of dignity; and if the Sun be unfortunate (especially if afflicted by Saturn), it causes an overbearing pride

and haughtiness which is very unpleasant to those around her.

If the Sun be found with this configuration in the case of a man, it renders him much firmer in character. He is none the less gentle, but he has a dignity which cannot be trifled with. If the Sun be afflicted by Saturn, he will be a very poor-spirited man, and will bear affronts that very few people could put up with. On the whole, this configuration can hardly be considered supremely useful in our world. If it has a good influence on Mars thrown in, such a configuration will produce one of the most useful dispositions that can be imagined.

When the chief configuration which we are now considering, viz., that of Jupiter and Venus is present, and is helped by a good influence of Mars in either male or female genitures, it will produce great tact. They will be gentle still, and peace-loving; but they will, by the aid of their tact, often get their desires as regards others carried out much more quickly and certainly than the most forcefully combative man imaginable. Tact seems to favour these peaceful people a great deal more than it does the strongly combative personalities. By this I mean that Tact more often makes its abode with the peaceful than with the warlike.

King Edward the Peacemaker has Jupiter rising in sextile with Venus in the ninth house. The Sun is in the Midheaven, thus bringing into play a strong Solar influence. The Sun is in Scorpio in sextile with Mars in the ascendant.

No one can affront His Majesty with impunity, as several persons have found to their cost, yet no gentleman in Europe better deserves the prefix gentle to his name of man. Added to this, the King of England has not his peer in the whole world as regards his endowment of Tact, and by this wonderful Tact he has done more for Peace than any of the blustering sons of Mars who have ever sat on a throne. He has proved that the peace of the world is to be attained much more surely and easily by the use of Tact than by warlike means. But Mars tinges his natal influences strongly, and Britons the world over may be thankful that in King Edward they have a Sovereign Lord and Governor who is none the less truly a Man because he happens to be a truly gentle and peace-loving man. God Save the King!!!

**Great Heat for Treatment of Wounds.**—Having noticed that wounds heal very easily and rapidly when exposed, after being dressed, to the heat of a tropical sun or of a steamboat boiler, Herr E. Asbeck has adopted the following treatment for wounds of recent infliction. On the wound, or burn, which need not be disinfected, place a compress of iodoformed gauze, followed by several thicknesses of sterilised gauze with lint on top. The whole dressing should be completed by a bandage passing round it several times. The part affected should then be exposed to some source of intense heat, such as the fire in a blacksmith's forge or kitchen range. For small wounds, a Bunsen burner will suffice as a substitute. The heat treatment should continue until the dressing is perfectly dry, which should take from one half to three-quarters of an hour.—*Science Siftings.*

# Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

OCTOBER 1908.

1	16 † 1	This is not a day for important affairs. Care should be taken to avoid disputes and to guard against accidents. The evening, after 8 p.m., should be occupied in social matters.
2	29 20	The early part of the morning is evil. After 10.30 the influences are good for dealings with lawyers, religious, and financial people. The evening up to 11 is good for social affairs.
3	12 ♄ 57	This is a critical day for all purposes. The influences during the day are evil for all important matters, and affairs should be conducted discreetly.
4	26 54	Do nothing important before 10 a.m. Between then and noon deal with doctors, military men, and affairs requiring skill and energy. It is a good period for pushing affairs.
5	11 ≈ 12	No important matters should be attended to before noon. In the afternoon deal with superiors, ask favours, and push business, but be careful to avoid friction with others.
6	25 48	It is essential that affairs should be conducted discreetly during this day. No new enterprises should be started, and all risks in business should be avoided.
7	10 ✕ 39	In the morning attend to correspondence and business affairs. In the afternoon visit friends and deal with other sex. The evening is good for social duties and seances.
8	25 38	All important business should be put on one side. The influences denote quarrelling, litigation, disputes, and losses.
9	10 ♃ 34	Another most unfortunate day; from early morning till late at night a series of evil influences are at work. Safeguard the health and person; avoid law and disputes.
10	25 20	A doubtful day. Superiors may be approached during the afternoon, and small favours asked. But for important matters the day is not propitious.
11	9 8 46	Important matters should be attended to early in the day. The afternoon is unfavourable for business matters and correspondence. After 5 p.m. travel, and avoid disputes.
12	23 47	Not an important day.
13	7 ♀ 21	Nothing of importance should be attended to in the morning. In the evening social calls, entertainments, and pleasure are the order.
14	20 27	From 10 to 2 in the day deal with superiors, ask favours, push affairs, and improve position. Act discreetly and avoid quarrels after that time.
15	3 ☿ 9	The day is evil for all matters up to 6 p.m. Disputes should be avoided, and accidents guarded against. The evening is splendid for social and financial affairs.
16	15 30	The influences are of a too mixed and conflicting nature to render the day favourable. Attend to correspondence and deal with the other sex, but act with discretion in all matters.
17	27 35	An evil day for all things. Safeguard the health and avoid conflicts with superiors.
18	9 ♄ 31	The influences are again of a conflicting nature, and the danger of accidents and disputes is very strong. It is a day when the desires and ambitions need a strong curb.
19	21 21	The early part of the day is good for correspondence, but not other matters. In the afternoon incline the mind to study. In the evening deal with superiors and social affairs.
20	3 ♄ 12	An unimportant day until the evening. After 7 p.m. attend to social and financial matters, and commence new works and undertakings. It is an important time.
21	15 6	This is an important day. Travel, change, court, marry, deal with the opposite sex, ask favours, deal with superiors, visit friends, and attend to social duties.
22	27 7	An unimportant day, suitable for marriage in the morning, or for pleasure, but for business affairs it is not suitable.
23	9 ≈ 18	This is an evil day. Avoid disputes and have no personal interviews. Be particularly careful in your dealings with others. Do not travel, and act discreetly.
24	21 40	This is a quiet day until after 4 p.m. A Venus influence then rules, making the evening suitable for introductions, pleasure parties, and dealings with the other sex.
25	4 ♀ 13	This is a successful day for new undertakings and looking after important affairs. The evening is an especially important period, and successful for new affairs.
26	16 58	This is again a successful day—except from 3 to 6 in the afternoon. Affairs begun on the previous day, and any important work arising therefrom, may be successfully attended to.
27	29 54	During the morning and afternoon the influences are of a contradictory nature. No important matters should be attended to. In the evening deal with elderly people.
28	13 † 1	A contradictory day. The morning is good for matters requiring force and energy, for pushing business, but not for financial transactions. The rest of day is unimportant.
29	26 20	The morning is not a successful time, owing to the prevailing influences being inimical. Attend to correspondence in the late evening.
30	9 ♄ 50	Important matters should be dealt with in the morning. After 2 p.m. the influences point to a danger of disputes, excitement, and of accidents; therefore avoid travel.
31	23 32	Up to 2 p.m. do nothing important. From then until 6 visit friends, deal with the other sex

## Horoscopes of Notable Women.

I.—H.R.H. The Princess of Wales.

**H**ER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS OF WALES was born at Kensington Palace at one minute before midnight on the 26th May, 1867, when the planets were placed as in the accompanying diagram.

The Sign Aquarius was rising, with the Moon and Jupiter conjoined in the intercepted sign Pisces in the ascendant. The Sun is on the cusp of the fourth house, in Gemini, in square to the Moon and Jupiter; the Moon is in sextile to Venus and trine to Uranus. Venus is on the cusp of the third house in sextile to Jupiter and Uranus; Mars in the seventh in square to Saturn. Mercury is just entering the sign Gemini, Uranus is on the cusp of the sixth house, Saturn in the ninth, and Neptune in the second.

The bodily health and constitution are strong, the Moon being hyleg and conjoined with Jupiter. The square of the Sun to these two planets may cause a tendency to blood disorders, and to cold caught at the feet. Uranus in the sixth in Cancer shows stomach and digestive troubles. Mars setting in Leo in square to Saturn may later in life cause heart troubles and disorders of the excretory system.

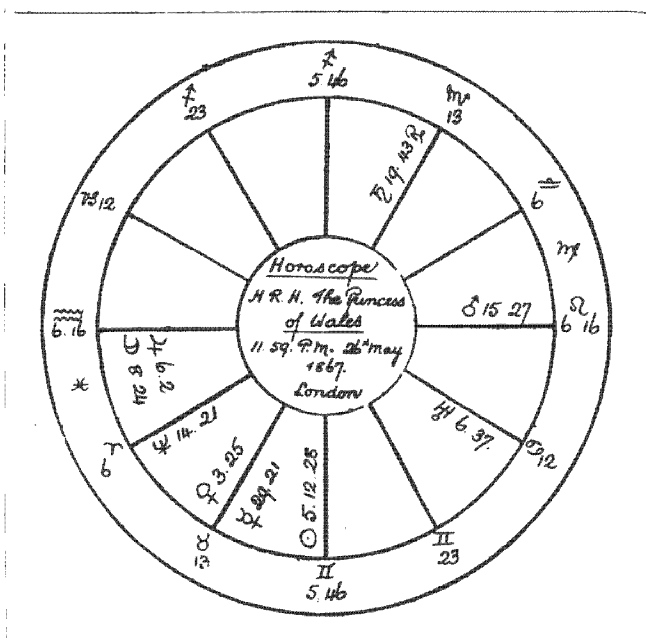
The nature is refined, kind, and faithful, with artistic ability, humanitarian tenden-

cies, and a fondness for the metaphysical. The conjunction of the Moon and Jupiter gives much sympathy and kindness of heart, splendid social qualities, dignity, and power, and will make the life fortunate and successful.

The mental powers are of a high order, as Mercury may be considered to be in the sign Gemini, and the third house, which gives versatility and active mind and sharp intellect. The character is ambitious,

aspiring, and adaptable, but the chief traits will be more fully developed towards the close of life.

The presence of Mars in the seventh house in square to Saturn was the cause of the tragic events connected with her engagement to the late Duke of Clarence; but it is also significant of the fact that Mars in Leo in the seventh house describes her husband the



Prince of Wales, who was born under Aries, with Mars ruler of that sign in Leo. The influences just at the present time are none too favourable, for the Sun is directed to the square of Neptune, and at the end of 1909 the Moon will be in evil aspect to both, hence financial troubles may be experienced. Some danger of fraud is shown.

Three years hence the Sun will be in trine to Saturn, and five years from now the Moon will cross the meridian at the same time as

the Sun reaches the trine of the radical Saturn. Important elevation may be confidently anticipated at this time.

We have not had time to compute all the directions operating in the near future, but there appears to be a number of very important ones, which indicate some great alterations in position and affairs within the next few years. 1911 appears to be an exceptionally noted year.

## The Great Secret of Sex.

IT was nearly ten years ago that Dr. Schenk, of Vienna, aroused the interest of the entire world by his announcement, which appeared in "Science Siftings," that he had discovered the secret of sex. Dr. Schenk died before his researches were fully perfected; but Dr. Romme, a French scientist, took up the work where Dr. Schenk stopped, and has carried his investigations and experiments to a final conclusion. Professor Romme is now able to confirm the main propositions set forth by Dr. Schenk, and to announce several new and extremely interesting discoveries.

Why is it that some parents have only boys and others only girls, and still others the normal half and half, or near it? Professor Romme's answer is very simple, and he asks any people who doubt to think of the families they know in which children of one sex predominate, and see if his explanation is not borne out by observation. He says:—

"Whether children are born boys or girls depends entirely on the comparative physical vigour of the parents. Suppose, for instance, that the father, from age, sickness, dissipation, or any other cause, has not the vitality of his younger, healthier wife, then the offspring will be boys. If the wife is naturally delicate, or becomes so for any reason, so that her vitality is below that of her husband, the babies will be girls.

"In short, the sex favours the weaker parent. A weak father will have mostly boys—a weak mother a majority of girls. This discovery is of immediate practical value to parents who have a one-sided family and are wishing for brothers for their girls or sisters for their boys, because it points a way to achieve the desired result.

"If you want the next baby to be a girl instead of another boy, it is necessary to raise the general health of the husband to a degree a little superior to the wife's. If you want a boy, make the mother the physical superior, and a boy will be the result."

"What happens when the parents are of equal strength?" has been asked. Dr. Romme asserts that there are no instances where the parents are of equal vitality for any length of time. Worry, overwork or even a passing illness of the moment, is

enough to turn the scale and make one parent the weaker. Old age is one of the weaknesses which nature favours particularly in determining sex. When old men marry young women, the offspring is in a large majority of cases male. The older the husband, the greater the probability of a boy.

Professor Romme cites as prominent examples the cases of the Kaiser of Germany and the Czar of Russia. The German Emperor, born with a feeble constitution, one arm shrivelled and paralysed, and an affection of the throat which must some day kill him, has fought disease with all the resolute powers of a resolute will. Knowing the handicap of health under which he has suffered, it is easily understood why he has had five sons in succession.

With the Czar the factors have been just the reverse. His constitution is naturally hardy, in spite of his rather pale face, and his physical superiority to his Czarina is revealed by the four daughters which resulted before at last the longed-for boy arrived.

In the diet which Dr. Romme prescribes for the mother when a boy is desired, he follows largely the prescriptions of the famous Dr. Leopold Schenk, who advocated a strongly nitrogenous diet. His patients were ordered to eat as much meat and fats as possible, and as little sugar and starchy foods as they could. Of course, the value of such a diet in connection with the subject before us, would depend on the power of the individual to digest and assimilate it. *Birmingham Weekly Post.*

## Quaint Advertisements.

A kindly spirit has been making a collection of quaint advertisements from all parts of the world. Some of them are not new, but others have a pleasant note of novelty about them. Here are a few samples:—

"Our annual sale now on. Don't go elsewhere to be cheated."

"Wanted an experienced nurse, for bottled baby."

"Respectable widow wants washing for Thursday."

"Wanted a boy, to be partly outside and partly behind the counter."

"Wanted, by a respectable girl, her passage to New York. Willing to take care of children and a good sailor."

"Wanted, unfurnished room for a gentleman about 30ft. long and 20ft. broad."

"To Let.—Furnished apartments suitable for gentleman with folding doors."

"Wanted an organist and a boy to blow the same."

"To be disposed of—a mail phaeton, the property of a gentleman with movable headpiece, as good as new."

"A lady wants to sell her piano as she is going abroad in a strong iron frame."

"Lost—a collie dog by a man on Saturday answering to Jim with a brass collar round his neck and muzzle."

"Bull-dog for sale; will eat anything, very fond of children."

"Lost, near Highgate Archway, an umbrella belonging to a gentleman with a bent rib, and a bone handle."

# Birthday Influences during October.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, ☉ P ♄. An unfavourable anniversary, general affairs of life appear to be upset and undisturbed. Danger of illness or accident. A child born on this day will be rash and impetuous, unsettled and wayward, and will have many ups and downs in life.

2. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A changeable year is shown, danger of disputes and accidents, but benefits through the opposite sex, improvement of position and some successful changes. A child born on this day will be hot-tempered, sharp, and impulsive, will have abilities above the average, and should be very successful in life.

3. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. An unfavourable birthday, ill health and losses are shown, unfavourable changes and a general disturbance in life. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle in life, will be wayward and erratic, should always remain in employ and safeguard the health.

4. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A fairly successful year, some awkward changes, but gain through new work and enterprises. A child born on this day will be active and enterprising, somewhat abrupt and sharp, but fairly successful in life.

5. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A year of changes, much unrest at times, danger of scandal, but benefits through employers, and improvement of position. A child born on this day will be rather sharp in speech, and apt to lose opportunities through indiscreet behaviour; will benefit through superiors and in employment.

6. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A very unfavourable year; losses, changes, and ups and downs, troubles and worries; unexpected disasters may be experienced. A child born on this day will have great trouble to make a way in the world, should never undertake responsibilities, but remain in an inferior position and safeguard his health and pocket.

7. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A favourable anniversary, beneficial changes, travel, successful intercourse with the other sex, and improvement of position; expenses may be high. A child born on this day will be clever and vigilant, inventive and original, will gain through superiors and the other sex, and be generally successful. His one drawback will be extravagance.

8. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A doubtful year, many little worries and annoyances, danger of disputes and litigations, but benefit through superiors and employment. A child

born on this day will be rash, hasty and impulsive, frequently in trouble, but will gain in employment and through the help of friends and superiors.

9. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A very evil and disastrous birthday, danger of sickness and loss in family circle, disputes and quarrels, loss of position and general misfortune. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle through life, be weakly and unfortunate, rash and quarrelsome, and liable to come to a bad end.

10. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. An unimportant year. Some slight successes, but generally quiet. A child born on this day will be tricky and mediumistic, in danger of being imposed upon, but likely to benefit through employers.

11. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A more favourable birthday; social and financial success, gain through superiors and employment, but some danger of trouble through letters and correspondence. A child born on this day will be lucky in life, gain through friends and the opposite sex, but will be apt to lose many opportunities through over-reaching himself.

12. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A quiet year generally, some gain and success, but otherwise unimportant. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, generally successful, but with a liability to little ups and downs.

13. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. Conflicting influences will mar this anniversary. Some success and gain in work is shown, some disappointments and losses, but social and financial gain. A child born on this day will gain much through enterprise and perseverance have the pluck and energy to fight his own way, but will have many obstacles to contend with, and suffer both loss and disappointment in life.

14. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A successful anniversary generally, gain through superiors and in employment, but some danger of disputes and quarrels. A child born on this day will rise in life, be popular and successful, but should be very discreet in his dealings with others, and avoid law and quarrelling.

15. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♀. A conflicting year, danger of indisposition, accident and disputes; some financial and social success is also noted, and gain through the other sex. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, and bad tempered, will be liable to accidents and quarrels, but should make a way in the world and be fairly successful.

16. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ☿, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. A changeable year, success in courtship and intercourse with the other sex, danger of unpleasant changes and trickery, but an improvement of position. A child born on this day will be clever, active and original, very wayward and erratic at times, but a favourite with the other sex, by whom he will benefit.

17. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♄, ☿ ♀. An unfavourable year, danger of grief and indisposition, also of unpleasant changes and loss of employment. A child born on this day will be often in conflict with superiors, suffer from cold disorders, and be unfortunate in life.

18. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ☼, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. A successful birthday for elderly people, but not for young folk and intellectual people. Improvement of position, trouble through letters and correspondence and danger of slander. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, hot-tempered, will gain through superiors and elderly people and may rise in life to a respectable position.

19. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ☾, ☿ ♀. A fairly successful birthday, gain in position, beneficial changes, travel, and pleasure. A child born on this day will be clever and original, with mental gifts of a high order, should do well in business and gain through superiors and employment.

20. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♀, ☿ ♀. A changeable year, many little worries and annoyances, but social and financial gain and much success in life. A child born on this day will be romantic, somewhat changeable and erratic, but should gain socially and financially and rise to a good position in the world.

21. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ☿, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. A very successful year, some important changes, travel, gain through the opposite sex, and engagement of marriage. A child born on this day will have a very successful career, with popularity, esteem, and success; will gain through the opposite sex, and make a successful marriage.

22. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♃, ☿ ♀. A quiet year generally, good for courtship or marriage. A child born on this day will have a quiet career in life, be a favourite with the opposite sex from whom he will benefit.

23. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. A very trying and unfortunate year, danger of accidents and illness, misfortune and bereavement. Beware of law and changes. A child born on this day will be rash, hot-tempered, hasty and impulsive, will often be in trouble, be liable to accidents and litigation, and have many troubles in life.

24. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♄, ☿ ♀. Not a good year generally, unpleasant episodes, danger of disputes and quarrels, and money troubles; courtship or marriage probable. A child born will be rash and impetuous, extravagant and whimsical, but should gain through the opposite sex.

25. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ☼, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. A favourable birthday; an important change is shown, with improvement of position, social and financial gain and general success. A child born on this day will rise in life and be very successful, he will be clever and intelligent, and will gain popularity and esteem, and be a success in his sphere.

26. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ☾, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. A favourable year, beneficial changes, financial gain and improvement of position, marriage or engagement, and much happiness. A child born on this day will be very successful in life, rise to a good position, and be very well off, will benefit through the opposite sex, and gain applause through merit.

27. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♃, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. A changeable year, many little ups and downs and mutations of fortune; an increase of responsibility, and gain through elders. A child born on this day will have many anxieties and worries to contend with, will be restless and erratic, but will benefit in employment and through elderly people.

28. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ☿, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. A changeable year, financial loss, new work and undertakings, some trouble through the other sex, and a beneficial change. A child born on this day will be clever, serious and prudent, will gain through intellectual occupations, elderly people and by force of merit. He should be careful in dealings with the other sex.

29. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♃, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. An unfavourable birthday, trouble and grief through other sex, some sudden changes of an unfavourable nature. A child born on this day will be clever and intellectual, will have some grief through the opposite sex, and be liable to many unlooked for troubles in life.

30. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. A changeable year, some benefits and promotion in employment, danger of ill-health and bereavement, also of accidents and trouble. A child born on this day will be rash, impulsive and excitable, liable to many misfortunes, but successful in employment. He should act very cautiously and do nothing without proper thought.

31. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♄, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀, ☿ ♀. An unfortunate birthday generally, danger of unpleasant episodes, and impulsive actions; some unfavourable changes, but success in courtship. A child born on this day will be very whimsical and impulsive, liable to act rashly and without thought, but will benefit through the other sex.

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## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### 1. THE SOLAR SYSTEM.

**O**LD MOORE has often considered the advisability of writing a series of short instructive articles on the wonderful Universe in which we live, in response to the many enquiries of readers and friends who are beginners and aspirants in the study of the Celestial Science.

The little articles which will appear under this heading are not so much for the purpose of instruction as for interest; not so much as to give a mass of technical information as to win for readers a love of the subject and a wish for more knowledge about the stars.

The Solar System, of which our planet, Earth, is but one of the smallest units, consists of the Sun—which is the centre—and seven planets, or worlds, which revolve around the central orb at varying distances therefrom.

If we suppose the Earth to be represented by a globe a foot in diameter, the distance of the Sun from the Earth will be about two miles; the diameter of the Sun, on the same supposition, will be something above one hundred feet, and consequently, his bulk such as might be made up of two hemispheres, each about the size of the dome of St. Paul's. The Moon will be thirty feet from us, and her diameter three inches, about that of a cricket-ball. Thus the Sun would much more than occupy all the space within the Moon's orbit. On the same scale, Jupiter would be above ten miles from the Sun, and Uranus forty.

Sir John Herschel says, "As to getting any correct notions on this subject by drawing circles on paper, or, still worse, from those childish toys called orreries, it is out of the question." He proceeds to say, "Choose any well-levell'd field or bowling-green, on it place a globe two feet in diameter—this will represent the Sun; Mercury will be represented by a grain of mustard-seed, on the circumference of a

circle of 164 feet in diameter for its orbit; Venus, a pea, on a circle 284 feet in diameter; the Earth also a pea on a circle of 430 feet; Mars, a rather large pin's head, on a circle of 654 feet; Juno, Ceres, Vesta and Pallas, grains of sand in orbits from 1,000 to 1,200 feet; Jupiter, a moderate-sized orange in a circle half a mile across; Saturn, a small orange on a circle of four-fifths of a mile; and Uranus, a full-sized cherry or small plum upon a circumference of a circle more than a mile and a-half in diameter.

The orbit of Neptune would be represented by a circle of nearly three miles in diameter, by observing a relative proportion to those distances of Sir J. Herschel. The distance of Neptune being about 3,000 millions of miles from the Sun, we will endeavour to grasp a faint idea of the extent, although the mind almost fails in conceiving even a notion of this vast space.

Imagine a railway with a train running thereon at the rate of 100 miles an hour continuously; a passenger setting out on a journey to Neptune and travelling with that—to us—great speed, would not arrive at his journey's end in less than 3,400 years; so that if he started from the Sun at the birth of our Saviour, he would at this time have accomplished rather more than half his journey. Let the reader imagine himself raised to any sufficient height above the level of the bowling-green or field before alluded to, so that he may have a full view of the limit of Neptune's orbit to imitate the motions of the planets in the above-mentioned orbits. Mercury must describe his own diameter in 41 seconds; Venus in 4 mins. 14 secs.; The Earth in 7 mins.; Mars in 4 mins. 28 secs.; Jupiter in 2 h. 56 mins.; Saturn in 3 h. 13 mins.; and Uranus in 2 h. 16 mins. To extend the idea, suppose the sight or capabilities of vision to be extended so far as necessary, and let us take a flight into space at a suitable elevation, perpendicular to the Sun, we shall

of course perceive that glorious body beneath our feet, with the planets revolving about him in nearly the same plane at their respective distances, but proportional to the above account of Herschel, with their respective attendants or satellites, not forgetting the beautiful accompaniment of Saturn in the two rings concentric with the planet and each other, the whole moving from west to east—the primary bodies round the Sun, and the secondaries round their respective primaries. Neither must we forget the various smaller primaries of recent discovery. We shall then have presented to our view one of the grandest spectacles which can be imagined, increasing in beauty as we contemplate their varied properties, structure, and beautiful regularity, which is so exact as to enable us to calculate the precise moment when a particular aspect is found or position attained.

In the infancy of Physical Science, it was hoped that some discovery might be made to enable man to soar above his terrestrial scene and visit other planets. The immensity of our Solar System, as contrasted with the Earth, is difficult to realise, in spite of the discoveries and progress of Astronomical Science; and, therefore, how are we to fully comprehend the wonders of Creation when confined on our own world? How can we realise the wonders of Neptune, for instance, or the beauties of the Saturnine system, without going to them? And yet such an excursion is not beyond possibilities. What vehicle can we engage to make such a journey? Must we be dependent entirely upon the fairy wings of imagination, or can we derive aid from less ethereal means? The only machine independent of the atmosphere we can think of, is one on the principle of the rocket; but instead of torturing our imagination to conceive a device of this nature, we will take one of Nature's rockets as our conveyance in our imaginary flight round the Solar System. Let us follow the course of a comet in its wanderings across our system.

We will suppose that we are on the comet, and outside the limits of our system; that the comet is on the way to the Sun, and the

planets are so many stations on the line. We shall then stop at each of these stations and have a sort of biographic view of the surroundings and conditions.

Our first stopping-place will be the planet Neptune.

## The Talisman for the Month.

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**The Weight of the Brain.**—A specialist tells us that a less amount of brain matter is necessary to keep a woman from idiocy than for a man. The average weight of a man's brain is forty-nine and one-half ounces, and that of a woman forty-four ounces. When a brain falls below thirty-seven and a half ounces in a man idiocy usually occurs. A woman's brain has to fall to thirty-two and one-half ounces before she reaches the same condition. Man has a larger brain in proportion to his stature than woman; while, on the other hand, woman has a larger brain in proportion to her weight. The female brain begins to lose weight after the age of thirty; that of the man not till ten or fifteen years later. The loss in a woman is slight, however, and she keeps up a high brain weight much later than a man.

## Curiosities of Sleep.

**A** GENTLEMAN of landed property in the vale of Gala was prosecuted for considerable arrears of teind, or tithe, which he was said to owe to a noble family. He believed that these tithes had been purchased, but after examining his father's papers, the public records, and those persons who had transacted law business with his father, he was unable to obtain evidence of such a purchase. He therefore resolved to ride to Edinburgh, and compromise the affair as well as he could. Going to bed with the intention of putting this plan in execution on the morrow, he dreamt that his father, who had been dead many years, appeared to him. He enquired the cause of his son's trouble, and when the gentleman had replied, and had added that the payment was the more unpleasant because he had a strong consciousness that it was not owing, although he could not prove that to be the case. "You are right, my son," answered the father; "I did acquire right to those teinds for which you are now prosecuted. The papers relating to the transaction are in the hands of Mr. —, a writer (or attorney), who is now retired from professional business, and resides at Inveresk, near Edinburgh. He was a person whom I employed on that occasion for a particular reason, but who never, on any other occasion, transacted business on my account. It is very possible that Mr. — may have forgotten a matter which is now of a very old date; but you may call it to his recollection by this token, that when I came to pay this account there was difficulty in getting change for a Portugal piece of gold, and that we were forced to drink out the balance at a tavern." The gentleman rode to Inveresk and enquired of Mr. —, a very old man, if he had transacted a certain business for his father. The old gentleman could not remember, but when the Portugal piece of money was mentioned the whole came to his mind, and he at once sought for the papers, and found them.

Some years ago an investigation was made in the north of Scotland respecting an atrocious murder. A man came voluntarily forward, and stated that he had dreamed of a house near to which a voice had seemed to tell him that the pack of the murdered pedlar was buried. The spot mentioned was examined, and the pack was found near to it, but not precisely at the place. The individual accused was convicted. He confessed, and in the strongest manner exculpated the dreamer from any knowledge of or share in the murder. It appeared, however, that immediately after the murder, the two men had been together in a state of almost continual drunkenness, and some statements had probably then slipped from the murderer, which his companion might not remember when he was sober, but which the dream now recalled.

A lady dreamt that an aged female relative had been murdered by a black servant, and the dream occurred more than once. She was then so much

impressed by it that she went to the house of the lady to whom it related and prevailed upon a gentleman to watch in an adjoining room during the following night. About three o'clock in the morning the gentleman, hearing footsteps on the stairs, left his place of concealment and met the servant carrying up a quantity of coals. Being questioned as to where he was going he replied in a confused and hurried manner that he was going to mend his mistress's fire—which, at three o'clock in the morning, in the middle of summer, was evidently impossible; and on further investigation a strong knife was found concealed beneath the coals. Another lady dreamt that a boy, her nephew, had been drowned, along with some young companions with whom he had been engaged to go on a sailing excursion in the Firth of Forth. She sent for him in the morning, and with much difficulty prevailed upon him to give up his engagement. His companions went and were all drowned. Dr. Abercrombie declares these anecdotes to be "entirely authentic."

A clergyman went to Edinburgh from a place at a short distance, and was sleeping there, when he dreamt of seeing one of his children in the midst of a fire. He awoke, and instantly returned home, and when he came within sight of his house he found it on fire. He arrived in time to rescue one of his children who had been left in a dangerous situation.

A gentleman in Cornwall dreamt that he was in the lobby of the House of Commons. A small man entered, wearing a blue coat and a white waistcoat, and immediately after another man, wearing a brown coat with yellow basket metal buttons, drew a pistol from under his coat and fired it at the first man, who instantly fell. Blood issued from a wound a short distance below the left breast. The murderer was seized, and the dreamer saw his countenance. He awoke and told the dream to his wife, who made nothing of it, but in the same night the dream was repeated three times, with precisely similar circumstances. He felt greatly disposed to warn Mr. Percival, who was then Chancellor of the Exchequer; but some friends whom he consulted told him that he would be treated as a fanatic. Shortly after this gentleman heard of Mr. Percival's death. He was in London, where he saw a picture of the murder in the print shops in which he recognised the countenance and dress of the individuals seen by him in his dream, the blood on Mr. Percival's waistcoat, and the yellow basket buttons on Bellingham's coat, corresponding precisely with what he had seen. Dr. Abercrombie received the particulars of this case from the gentleman himself.

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## Astrological Anecdotes.

Some Predictions.

**M**ICHAEL SCOT, a mathematician and astrologer of the thirteenth century, was much esteemed by the Emperor Frederick the Second. He predicted that the Emperor should die at Florence, which prediction was answered by the event.

He likewise foretold his own death, and that it should be by the fall of a stone, which happened accordingly, for being in a church at his devotion, a stone fell from the roof which gave him a mortal wound. His singular predictions caused him to be accused by the vulgar for a magician, although his contemporaries report him as a man of learning and a great divine. No less extraordinary to those who are ignorant of the firm principles on which this art is founded was the prediction of Guido Bonatus, an Italian astrologer, who, being in a city at Italy, when it was closely besieged, he elected a proper time for the Earl of Montserrat to make a sally, predicting that the Earl would rout his enemies and obtain a complete victory, but not without receiving a slight wound in the knee, and that the Earl might be more assured Bonatus marched out with him, carrying everything necessary to dress the wound! The event corresponded exactly with the prediction, for the enemy was completely vanquished, and the Earl wounded, punctually as he foretold.

In the reign of the unfortunate Stuarts, we have many striking accounts of remarkable predictions of celebrated astrologers, but the chief among these, and indeed in the History of England, was the renowned astrologer William Lilly, amongst a series of astrological hieroglyphics relative to the fate of the English nation, and to last for several centuries published by him in 1651 were two immediately succeeding each other, the first of which represented several dead bodies in winding-sheets, a churchyard with sextons employed, and cartloads of dead emptying into the graves. The second was a view of London bridge on both sides of the water, and the City of London in flames. Nothing could more have unequivocally predicted the plague and dreadful fire which really succeeded each other, as did these hieroglyphics than the above forewarnings. After the fire, and when Lilly had for some time retired from his profession, and lived at Richmond, the House of Commons sent him an order to attend their Bar. When appearing, the Speaker informed him that "as he had fifteen years before predicted the plague and dreadful fire, the House wished to ask him if he could give any intelligence concerning the causes or authors thereof?" Lilly answered, "That the House might readily believe that, having predicted it, he had spared no pains to investigate the cause, but that all his endeavours had been ineffectual, from whence he was led to attribute the conflagration to the immediate finger of God." It is singular that what this profound astrologer was unable to discover everyone else has filled in, even the usual lights which the revolutions

of ages generally throw upon subjects which at the period of their transaction may be enveloped in casual gloom, in this instance have totally failed to give any real information as to the perpetrators of the above calamity.

Selim the First, previous to turning his arms against Egypt, consulted a celebrated astrologer, who resided at Damas, and living like a hermit, had the reputation of a saint. He assured the Sultan that victory should attend his steps, and that the Kingdom of Egypt should be subject to his power. In the transports of his joy Selim loaded him with kindness and honours. He would not, however, depart from him till he had learned his fate and the duration of his reign. The sage refused for some time to comply with his request, but at last obliged to yield to his earnest solicitation he informed him "his reign would conclude before the expiration of nine years," but that from its glorious events he would hold a distinguished rank in the history of nations.

At these words Selim maintained a melancholy silence, which was interrupted by deep sighs and deep accents of grief. After a gloomy pause, he desired to know the horoscope of Prince Suleyman his son. "He shall be happy," replied the hermit. "He shall reign near half a century and be equally distinguished by his splendid actions and warlike virtues." The above observation determined the Sultan to march against his enemies, and the event having corresponded to the prediction, he from that moment became a prey to fatal melancholy, and died in the ninth year of his reign.

Valentine Naibod, to whom we owe that table for equating the celestial arcs of directions, which must ever immortalise his name, was a celebrated astrologer. By the rules of astrology he predicted his own death in the following singular manner: Living at Padua, he spent his time in study, and having considered his own nativity, he found some directions approaching that gave him ground to fear he should "be killed or wounded with a sword, to prevent which and to shun the fate he apprehended, he took in all sorts of provisions from abroad, to serve him for several months to come, shut and barred his gates, doors and windows, and resolved to continue there to avoid the mischief. In the meantime it so happened that some thieves went by, and seeing the house made so secure, supposed no doubt that there must be some great wealth therein, and in the night time, breaking into the house and meeting with the master thereof, they barbarously murdered him, as his horoscope foretold.

Both Guicciardini and Paulus Jovius bear testimony that it was told by astrology unto Clement the Seventh that his niece, Catherine de Medicis, afterwards Queen of France, and wife to the before-mentioned Henry, was born to ruin the kingdom to which she would attain by marriage. That she did so history fully proves.

## A Page for the Ladies.

### How Long does Beauty Last in Woman?

THE physical beauty of women should last, growing more and more until the end. That the beauty of women, like that of men, should be determined from the standpoint of advancing maturity cannot be disputed. It is absurd to claim that the ripe, rich beauty of forty is less attractive than the budding maturity of sweet sixteen. When women live in harmony with nature's laws, each stage of life has its own charm. The fulness of beauty does not reach its zenith until the age of thirty-five or forty. Helen of Troy comes upon the stage at the age of forty-eight. Aspasia was thirty-six when married to Pericles, and she was a brilliant figure thirty years thereafter. Cleopatra was past thirty when she met Antony. Diane de Poitiers was thirty-six when she won the heart of Henry II. The king was half her age, but his devotion never changed. Anne of Austria was thirty-eight when described as the most beautiful woman in Europe. Mme. de Maintenon was forty-three when united to Louis, and Catherine of Russia was thirty-three when she seized the throne she occupied for thirty-five years. Mlle. Mar was most beautiful at thirty-five, and Mme. Recamier between the ages of thirty and fifty-five. The most lasting and intense passion is not inspired by two decade beauties. The old saw about sweet sixteen is exploded by the truer knowledge that the highest beauty does not mean immaturity. For beauty does not mean alone the fashion of form and colouring, as found in the waxen doll. The dew of youth and a complexion of roses are admirable for that period, but a woman's best and richest years are from thirty-six to forty. It is an arrant error for any woman to regard herself as *passé* at any age, if she grows old gracefully.

### The Age in the Face.

THAT women become old in appearance more quickly than men is a matter of every-day observation. Let us stop to ask why it is.

The most important factor is worry. Woman is more delicately constructed than man; her nerves are more highly strung, hence the effect of worry upon her organisation is always greater than upon the man. And woman has greater opportunities for worry. Generally, a woman has to depend upon a man for her living. A man, if worried, throws it off and turns his attention to business duties; the wife's duties are confined to the household, thus leaving her mind free to occupy itself with any subject of uneasiness that may arise. Many women worry because the husband's business is not prospering more than he does, on account of being so occupied by surrounding affairs, and the worry acts more disastrously on her finer nerves than his. It is women rather than men who "go round the corner

to meet trouble," as someone has expressed it. Everybody knows that worry kills more people than work does.

Another reason why women fade more quickly than men is that they develop more quickly, and the natural result of this rapid development is a correspondingly earlier loss of freshness.

Physical inferiority is another cause of early decay; the wear and tear of existence tells upon her sooner than a man.

Of these three causes, it is possible to do something to counteract two at least. It is possible to increase their physical strength, and to find mental occupation which will prevent them from worrying so much.

If a woman is to protect herself from the ravages of worry, and so retain her youth for a longer period, she must come into more frequent contact with other people—as her husband does—and read good books, and must take as much outdoor exercise as she possibly can—a walk every day; in short, she must exercise both body and mind in a healthful manner, and cast off any feelings of depression caused by trivial matters of everyday life, and she will find the bloom of youth and health will remain with her for a longer period.

"The ordinary woman," says a celebrated physician, leads such a monotonous existence that her mind has no occupation but worry; she is almost made up of worry upon worry. What she needs is to have more intercourse with people, take more exercise, and not to take her duties too seriously. This can be done without neglecting the home if ordinary management is used and exercised.

### Would you like to be a Man?

A person of an inquiring turn of mind made it a hobby to ask every woman of his acquaintance if she would like to be a man or not, and if not, why not? He has published the results of his inquiries, which are interesting:

Two would not be men, neither now nor in a state of reincarnation.

One would be a man if she could dress in colour and ruffles, as men dressed in former times.

One would like to be a man, to come and go as she pleased.

One loves horses so well that she would like to be a man "at times," so that she could be a jockey.

One would like to be a man, so that she could get twice the salary for the same work.

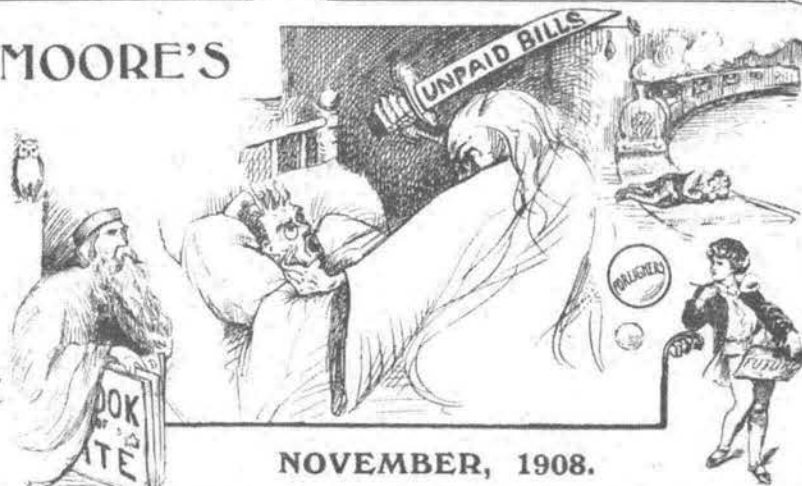
One wishes to be a man, just to see how it would feel.

One would like to be a man for awhile, because she would have much to be thankful for when she got back to her own sex.

One would like to be a man, to treat the employed of her sex as a gentleman should.

# OLD MOORE'S

## Monthly Outlook and Forecast



NOVEMBER, 1908.

### The New Moon.

The New Moon governing the month of November occurs on the 25th October at thirteen minutes to seven in the morning, when the luminaries will be exactly rising, and applying to the sextile of Jupiter in the eleventh house. This denotes a brighter outlook, legislation affecting the people being brought forward in Parliament. The state of the country and people generally will show a slight improvement, but nothing very lasting can be expected while Saturn remains in Aries, the ruling sign of England. The state of the exchequer will now improve, trade and revenue returns being better, and on the whole the month will show an improvement generally. Uranus in the third, opposing Neptune and in square to Mars, shows continued financial troubles in railways, also accidents and outrages being shown, one very likely on the 30th October. Strikes and disturbances are also indicated from this position. Theatres and music halls will largely benefit. Saturn close to the cusp of the sixth house, is somewhat bad for the health of the people, and also shows accidents on battleships. Foreign affairs will be still satisfactory, many marriages are shown, and some parliamentary magnate will leave the ranks of the bachelors. Neptune in the ninth points to shipping

disputes, and also shows Colonial troubles, and warns the Government to be on guard in South African affairs, as troubles are shown in this part of the Empire. The position of the Sun is good for Royalty and the Government, while Jupiter and Venus in the eleventh in Virgo, point to working-class legislation, though as both of these planets are debilitated by position, it is a question whether much good will arise therefrom. Mars in the twelfth house in opposition to Saturn, would seem to show a tendency to increase of crime, burglaries, and incendiarism. A fire is threatened in some institution or hospital.

### United States.

At Washington, the lunation falls in the third house, which will largely benefit railways and the post office. American railway stock will go up. Jupiter and Venus rising will benefit the country, and a period of prosperity will now ensue. Saturn in the eighth house points to a heavy death rate among the aged. At San Francisco Saturn culminates and Mars is close to the fourth house, which is a warning to men of note in the city, and points to a danger of fires and incendiarism. Jupiter and Venus in the third will benefit railways especially. Jupiter gives a strong man for President, Venus joining her influence for a gentle-man.

**India.**

At Calcutta, Saturn is close to the third house and Mars to the ninth, which is evil for railways and shipping, and accidents to both are shown. At Bombay, Uranus is rising and Neptune setting, pointing to disturbances among the people, rioting and disorder. The lunation takes place in the midheaven which is favourable for the ruling powers.

**China and Japan.**

At Tokio, Saturn is rising and Mars setting, which stimulates the warlike feeling and family dispute. Uranus in the tenth is bad for the Mikado and his advisers. Mars being in Libra in the seventh is ominous of acute disputes with other powers. At Pekin, Jupiter and Venus are in the seventh which is favourable for peace, and denotes some treaty or alliance with other powers. Saturn in the second opposed to Mars, is bad for the revenue, while the death-rate will be very heavy.

**General.**

At 25 E. Long. Jupiter will culminate, bringing honours to the governments of countries in that locality. Affairs in Turkey and the Balkans will march on towards a settlement. Persia will be the scene of many turmoils, much rioting and bloodshed, for Mars will culminate and Saturn be on the nadir in that country. A serious earthquake is probable in Lat. 49 E. The authorities of Victoria, Vancouver, should beware of forest fires for Mars is on the lower meridian at the lunation.

**The Stock Exchange.**

Consols and other gilt edge securities will rise; but Home Rails, after their late bubble, which was engineered by interested parties, will go lower than ever. Foreign Stocks will be a falling market, except South and Central Americans. South Africans still a good venture. The feature will be the strength of American Rails—to buy now (October end) is to ensure much profit in a month.

**Almanack Predictions**

FOR NOVEMBER, 1908.

**Old Moore.**

Busy time in trade, revenue returns of a pleasing character, national funds rising and national credit stronger. Rise of price in steam coal. Dangers of explosions in mines, arsenals, and places where explosives are stored. Better feeling between the wealthy and poor. Severe earthquake on Chilian or Californian coasts. An advance in the cost of living. An arsenal or factory explosion on the 16th, and an enormous city fire on the 18th.

**Raphael.**

More settled conditions in the affairs of the people. National exchequer in a flourishing condition, improvement in trade. Railway accidents, and trouble in the post office. Theatres and music halls will benefit. Public health will be far from satisfactory and influenza will be prevalent. Foreign affairs more settled. Trouble in shipping circles. Benefic working class legislation brought forward. Much crime, murder and outrages. Hospitals and institutions under a cloud.

**Zadkiel.**

Great storm on Continent and our coasts about 6th or 7th. Cases of cruelty to women will be brought before the magistrates and several poisoning cases will be discovered in Austria. Mars in Libra disturbs China and Austria. Revenue rises in Great Britain again, but fluctuation on 'Change takes place from time to time. Unrest in India, increase of plague. Fire in Ireland and Madrid.

**Orion.**

Peace and more contentment, health of the people good, and foreign affairs more satisfactory, though diplomatic blunders in connection with the colonies. Honours to men of science, and some scientific discoveries. Herschell unfortunate for railway

interests, sudden and unexpected mishaps, with loss of life. Agitation among railways and post office servants.

### Francis Moore.

Better conditions for the people generally, more industry and work. Financial conditions satisfactory and improvement in trade. Trouble in post office and railway affairs, explosions and accidents, and probably some outrage on a train. Great deal of sickness in the land, colds and influenza being very prevalent. Foreign affairs more settled and better relations with other powers. Colonial disputes to be feared. Legislation vitally affecting the working classes will be under consideration. Increase of crime, many terrible outrages. Hospitals and workhouses will be under a cloud.

## Astronomical Phenomena

FOR NOVEMBER 1908.

### The Moon's Phases.

First Quarter,	1st	...	2h. 16m. aft.
Full Moon,	8th	...	7h. 58m. morn.
Last Quarter,	15th	...	11h. 41m. aft.
New Moon,	23rd	...	9h. 53m. aft.
First Quarter,	30th	...	9h. 44m. aft.

### Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in the sign Scorpio until 22nd; enters Sagittarius on that date at 4.35 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Scorpio; retrogrades into Libra on 1st; stationary on 6th, re-enters Scorpio on 11th.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Virgo, enters Libra on 3rd, and Scorpio on 28th, close to Mars on 30th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Libra, enters Scorpio on 25th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Virgo all the month.

♄. SATURN is in Aries all the month, well placed for observation in the south-east after sunset.

♅. URANUS is in Capricorn, not well placed for observation.

♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer, also not well placed for observation.

For Moon's position see "Daily Guide for Business and Pleasure." (Page 31.)

### The Weather.

The month opens fine, temperature above average, changeable towards 6th, fogs and rain in parts; a cold snap about 11th, then warmer through middle of month; 21st to 24th will be showery and windy, colder at 26th, variable and changeable to end.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

**Look after the Eyes of Children.**—Children should be warmly and suitably clad, not overburdened with clothing, and carefully guarded against exposure to chill, or to rapid and great changes of temperature. Exposures on raw, cold, windy days must be guarded against, especially with very young children. At the same time abundant healthful exercise in the open air, well ventilated apartments for day and night, and carefully-ordered diet are most essential. In those children exhibiting a predisposition to scrofula or rickets, the general nutrition must be looked after. Dr. Allen Greenwood urges the importance of considering eye-strain as an important factor in all children who are backward in their studies. He has recently shown that the majority of feeble-minded children have marked errors of vision, and this is true also, but to a less degree, of backward children.—*Science Giftings*.

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## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### II.—THE PLANET NEPTUNE.

THE discovery of the planet Neptune was one of the wonders of astronomical and mathematical science; in fact, the planet was actually discovered by mathematical research more than by telescopic investigation. Briefly told, it came about in this way. The planet Uranus, the then farthest planet in the solar system, and whose orbit had been accurately determined, was found to be pulled out of its path by some mysterious and unknown force. Both Saturn and Jupiter exert an attraction on this planet, but it was found that the combined force of both these planets was not sufficient to account for the irregularity in the motion of Uranus. After every known source of disturbance had been carefully calculated, the planet was shown to be still influenced by some unknown agent, and the only conclusion which could be arrived at was that some unknown planet outside the orbit of Uranus was the attracting cause of this irregularity.

Two astronomers, one in England and the other in France, grappled with this difficult theory. The former, in September, 1845, placed in the hands of the Astronomer Royal the computations which indicated to within a degree, the exact spot of the yet unobserved planet. The Frenchman accomplished the same feat, and in June 1846, ignorant of the other's work, published his results. The planet was actually discovered in the very spot indicated.

The planet Neptune revolves round the Sun at a distance of 2,780 millions of miles in 60,127 days, or about 164 of our earth years. Its diameter is a little over 34,000 miles. If we could alight on the surface of this planet we should find a little difficulty in walking. A man of nine stones weight on the earth would weigh twelve stones on Neptune, and this is due to the superior mass of the planet. It is doubtful, however, whether we can see the solid mass of the planet, as it may be in a molten state, and

what we can see being merely an envelope or vast cloud-laden atmosphere many miles distant from the actual body of the planet.

The Sun as seen from Neptune would have dwindled down to about a one-thousandth of its size, though its light would not be diminished in a like proportion. Neptune has one moon, at least; so far as modern discovery can tell, in all probability, it has more. It is thought also that it possesses a ring like Saturn, glimpses of which have been seen at times.

At the present time Neptune is the outermost planet of our solar system; no other has been seen, and there is no ground at present to support the contention of many that two others exist. Occult science contends for this fact, but ordinary every day science will not admit of it. It has been conjectured that irregularities may be later on found in the orbit of Neptune, and these may lead to the discovery of an even more remote body. Many years, however, must elapse before this can be done, for Neptune has not travelled half way round its orbit since it was discovered.

We will now leave Neptune, and journey on through space to our next stopping place, the planet Uranus, the stage from one orbit to the other being about one-third of our entire journey. In an ordinary railway train this journey would take about six thousand years, so one can get some idea of the immense distance to travel between Neptune and the mystery planet Uranus.

He that doubts the powers of astrological science let him look to the predictions of Paulius, Nigidius, and Theagines, concerning Augustus, to those of Scribonius and Thrassyllus to Tiberius, those of Ptolemy the immortal, to Otho and many others which are to be found in Dion, Tacitus, Plutarch and Suetonius. Then look at that famous prediction with regard to Henry the Second of France, which the great Lord Bacon in his essays most particularly notes.

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# How to Cast the Horoscope.\*

By GEORGE WILDE.

**T**AKE an Ephemeris for the year of birth. Opposite the day of birth the student will find the sidereal time for noon of that day, which is also called the Right Ascension of the Meridan. If the birth occurred before noon, deduct from the sidereal time the time which has elapsed between the moment of birth and noon. If the sidereal time be too small for the deduction to be made, add twenty four hours and then subtract. Hours should be subtracted from hours, minutes from minutes. The difference will be the sidereal time at the moment of birth. If the birth occurred after noon, add the intervening time; and, if the total should exceed 24 hours, deduct the latter from it, and the result will be the sidereal time at birth.

If the birth was after noon, there will be a slight addition to make for the increase of the sidereal time since noon; and if the birth

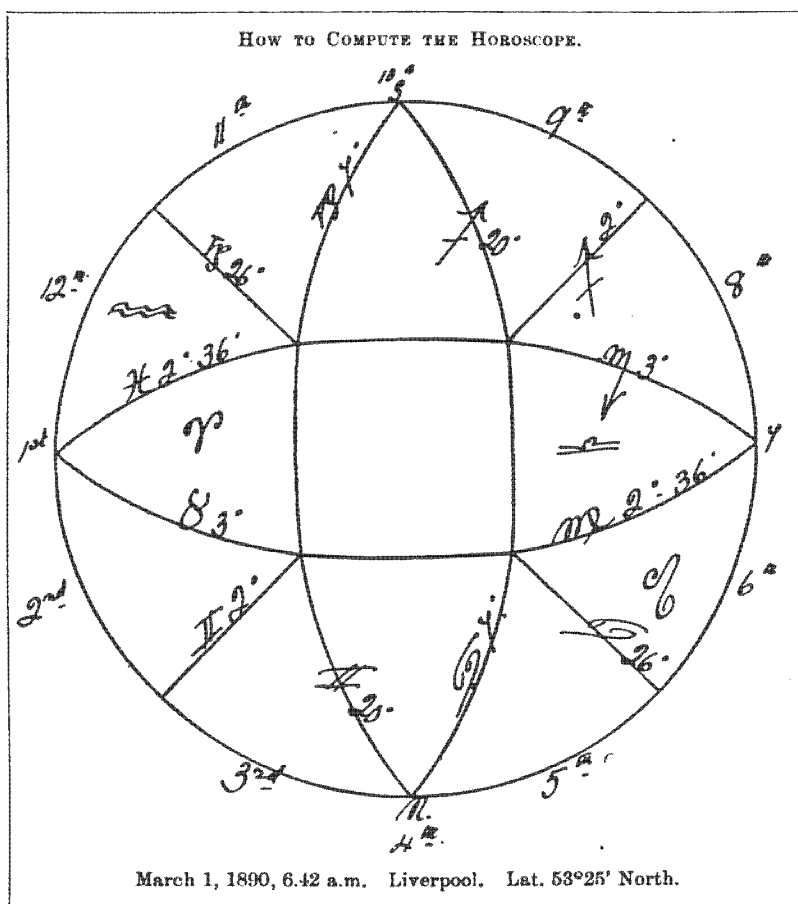
was before noon there will be a similar deduction from the required sidereal time, as shown in the following examples.

Having thus ascertained the sidereal time of the birth, look in the appropriate Table of Houses (which are usually found at the

end of the Ephemeris) for the same sidereal time or Right Ascension, or that which is nearest to it, and in the columns opposite will be found the sign, degree and minute then ascending on the Eastern horizon, as also those which are on the cusps of the 2nd, 3rd, 10th, 11th, and 12th houses.

*Example I.*

—Required a horoscope for a birth at Liverpool, or any place near that latitude, at 10-10 p.m. on March 1st, 1890. The sidereal time at noon on that day is 22h. 36m. Add to this the time



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that has elapsed since noon, namely 10h. 10m. and we have 32h. 46m. But the sidereal time has been increasing since noon; and as it increases at the rate of 3m. 56.56 sec. per day, this is approximately 10 seconds per hour and 1 minute for every 6 hours, so in this case add 2 minutes to represent the 10h. 10m. We have then 32h. 48m. As this exceeds 24 hours, subtract that period, which will leave 8h. 48m. as the sidereal time at birth. Seek this time, or the nearest to it, in the Table of Houses for Liverpool, lat.  $53^{\circ} 25' N.$ , and from the columns opposite 8h. 49m., we find that  $29^{\circ} 6'$  of  $\pi$  was then ascending  $26^{\circ} m$  on cusp of 2nd house;  $0^{\circ} \varpi$  on that of the 3rd, and  $10^{\circ} \Omega$  on the meridian or cusp of the 10th house;  $\pi 14^{\circ}$  on the cusp of the 11th house;  $\pi 9^{\circ}$  on the cusp of the 12th house. The next example will be given in greater detail and illustrated by the horoscope.

*(To be continued.)*

## Day of Atonement.

"And this shall be a statute for ever unto you; that in the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, ye shall afflict yourselves." Thus, Leviticus xvi., 29, and to Jews the world over, the descendants of the ancient Hebrews, to whom the words were spoken, the day is still one of affliction of body but exaltation of spirit. From sunset until sunset nought matters but communion with God; nought is allowed to obtrude itself on the long hours devoted to meditation and prayer. Neither food nor drink passes the lip, and uncharitable thought of fellow-creature is for the nonce entirely banished, for it is ordained that reconciliation with the Creator can never be achieved without reconciliation with fellow-being. It is a day of days, when the misery of a stricken conscience is offered as an atonement, when a rigorous self-examination, revealing the weakness of humanity, flings the repentant spirit in abject humility before the great and merciful Judge. They know not the meaning of vicarious atonement; they, and they alone, must bear the burden of their sin; they, and they alone, must plead with Him, in Whose hand their destiny lies. It is with them a belief that they were judged on the New Year nine days ago, that the decree was then given as to who would live, who would die, who would flourish, who would fail. They had been marshalled in endless procession before the Judge, who reviewed them in strict justice, and, aware of their own frailty, they tremble at the lot

which is to be theirs. And yet they believe that for those nine precious days the book of Fate has been kept open in order that the great advocates, repentance, prayer, and charity, might yet plead in mitigation of their sentence. And now the greatest of all days has come upon them, when the last opportunity is given them of bringing a contrite spirit, before Him who is their Father and their Judge.

Is it superstition? Is it conscience? Is it tradition? What matters! It is a day of peace, a brief period snatched from the toil and toils of daily existence, a milestone on the road of life, when one rests for a short space and reviews the incidents of the portion of the journey already accomplished. If it helps them to face the remainder with a chastened spirit, with a greater hope, what matters the phase of mind which prompts them to believe in its significance? Clad in what are to be their very shrouds, they are brought to recognise how transient life really is, how precious the brief space allowed them on this earth. What footprints will they leave on the sands of time? What impress on the heart and mind of those near and dear to them? This is the significance of the Day of Atonement, these its lessons, and thus one understands the hold it has for centuries retained on the imagination of an impressionable people. The final hour of the long trying day is the most impressive of all, when the last appeal for mercy is made, the last sob of contrition uttered. Faint with hunger, wearied in mind, the congregation turns to the east for its final declaration of faith. Heads are reverently covered with praying-shawl, the ark is once more opened, and in mighty unison they declare, "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God the Lord is One." Even thus will they speak when the Angel of Death appears before them to summon them hence, even thus will they finally declare their faith in His unity. Three times they call, "Blessed be the name of His glorious kingdom for ever and ever," and then give voice to the mighty sevenfold cry. "The Lord He is God." And now a stillness falls on those present as they reverently wait for the final incident. The long-drawn-out, piercing call of the ram's horn echoes through the synagogue, rolling and rolling into limitless space, carrying with it the prayers of those earnest worshippers, and then only do the ancient people, chastened in spirit, lighter in heart, turn once more to their joys, to their sorrows, to the destiny which has been allotted them.—*Daily Telegraph*.

Who can read the above without feeling the desire to live a better life? Surely this "Day of Atonement" could be extended to embrace all religions and non-religions for the world's betterment.

The "History of the London Society for the Promotion of Christianity Amongst the Jews" records that a sum of nearly £3,000,000 has, during the past hundred years, been expended by the society. This seems a heavy price to pay for the comparatively poor results (from the conversionists' point of view) that have been obtained. Indeed, it has been calculated that each convert costs the society something like a thousand pounds. When one considers the amount of distress prevalent amongst the non-Jewish population, it is difficult to avoid the conclusion that the money might be expended in other directions to infinitely more advantage.

# An Astrological Guide to Health, Success and Happiness

## CHAPTER II.

### HEALTH AND DISEASE.

In dealing with the subject of health and disease, we must first consider the meaning of the two words. Health is that state of the body in which all the parts are sound, their functions properly performed, and the mind well balanced. Disease is that condition of the body in which the vitality is diminished and some of the functions improperly performed. It implies an absence of "ease."

The three chief points in every horoscope which have rule over our subject are: the Ascendant, Sun, and Moon; and all matters pertaining to health and disease are referred to these vital points or centres.

The Ascendant governs the bodily form, physical strength, and the stamina. The Sun governs the constitution, vitality and life forces, hereditary, organic, and constitutional diseases. The Moon influences the general health, bodily functions, acute ailments, and irregularities of the system.

The planetary bodies, in accordance with their aspect to the three centres, influence the health, strengthening it when in good aspect, and weakening it when in evil aspect thereto.

The sixth house has also an important influence in this matter, for it is the medium or channel through which complaints arise. The strength of the body may be measured in a marked degree by noting which half of a sign is rising. The first half of the odd signs is stronger than the second half, while the second half of the even signs is stronger than the first. The same remark applies to the Sun, for this orb, when placed in the first half of the odd signs and the second half of the even signs, is much stronger, while the Moon is stronger in the opposite halves.

We will now deal with the influences of

the three centres, the Ascendant, Sun, and Moon; for, as previously mentioned, all matters affecting the health and disease rest on these points or centres.

Persons born under the fiery signs have strong bodies, good vitality, and plenty of organic resistance. They will fight against disease, and soon overcome it. The airy signs are the next best, for they give plenty of vitality; but in each case the vitality is more of a mental than a physical nature, the mental powers often being brought into action in warding off or fighting complaints. Scorpio rising gives a great amount of organic resistance, but being magnetic gives a danger of attracting disease. Cancer, Pisces, and Capricorn are the weakest signs, and many infants born thereunder die. Capricorn, however, once the infantile stage is passed, is better than the other two, as it is a sign which gives great endurance and tends to longevity. Taurus and Virgo give compact forms of body, and a considerable amount of organic resistance.

The same remarks apply in an equal manner with regard to the position of the Sun. When placed in the fiery signs there is rarely a danger of serious constitutional defects, but as there is an abundance of vitality, recovery is quick. When in airy signs, there is not so much physical vitality, but a great amount of mental worry, while anxiety, and affections of the nerves will deplete the vital powers and constitution. The Sun in earthy signs gives a more solid constitution, able to stand a good deal of wear and tear. Illnesses are likely to be long and recovery slow but sure. When in watery signs, the vitality and recuperative powers are weak. Illness is frequent, and the receptivity of the solar influences gives a danger of attracting complaints, and evil magnetic emanations.

In the case of the Moon, the watery signs, except Scorpio, are the best mediums for

the expression of the lunar activities. The airy signs next Taurus and Virgo are also good, especially the former, as the Moon is exalted therein. The fiery signs do not harmonise with the nature of the Moon. Capricorn and Scorpio are the two worst signs for the Moon to be placed in.

In regard to disease the two malefic planets Mars and Saturn are chiefly instrumental in bringing about disorders and infirmities. The former is responsible for all cold, chronic and lingering complaints, disorders arising from cold, depression and melancholy. Such complaints as palsy, atrophy, catarrh, rheumatism, and wasting diseases, due to want and privation. Mars causes inflammatory and feverish sicknesses, shingles, fistula, rupture of bloodvessels, accidents, injuries and all complaints caused by an over abundance of heat, impulsiveness and rash actions. Jupiter and Venus cannot be said to produce diseases, but they cause irregularities in the system due to indiscretion and over indulgence. Liver disorders, pleurisy and apoplexy are among the disorders caused by Jupiter, and heartburn, weakness of the bladder, and affections of the urinary organs to Venus. Uranus and Neptune are the factors in nervous and psychic disorders, incurable complaints and peculiar mental disorders. Mercury conduces to mental and nervous disorders due to worry, anxiety and mental strain.

E. H. BAILEY.

(To be Continued.)

### RETAINING YOUTH.

Some one once asked a woman how it was she kept her youth so wonderfully. Her hair was snowy white, she was 80 years old, and her energy was waning, but she never impressed one with idea of age, for her heart was still young in sympathy and interests. And this was her answer: "I knew how to forget disagreeable things. I tried to master the art of saying pleasant things. I did not expect too much of my friends. I kept my nerves well in hand, and did not allow them to bore other people. I tried to find any work that came to hand congenial."

I retained the illusions of my youth and did not believe 'every man a liar' and every woman spiteful. I did my best to relieve the misery I came in contact with, and sympathised with the suffering. In fact, I tried to do to others as I would be done by, and you see me, in consequence, reaping the fruits of happiness and peaceful old age."—*Health*.

### Does this Opal bring Luck?

At a recent thought-reading performance of the Marriotts at the Pavilion, a man, sitting in the stalls, handed over to Mr. Marriott a peculiarly shaped opal and awaited results.

Mrs. Marriott, sitting blindfolded on the stage, described the stone, and further said that the owner of it would have a great deal of luck. He was about to come into a fortune of half a million of money, she stated.

The recipient of this happy information quietly pocketed his opal, and said nothing, but shortly afterwards left the music hall.

It was subsequently discovered that the demonstrator of mental telepathy had revealed something very near the truth, and hit upon a fact in a really romantic story.

The possessor of the opal is Baron de M—, a Frenchman, who has lived in London for the last eighteen years.

The Baron, who was seen by an *Evening News* representative on the following day, announced that several days before he received notice that a relative in Mexico had bequeathed to him mining and other property worth more than £500,000, which would bring him an income of £25,000 per annum.

Moreover, he was convinced that the opal—contrary to common superstition with regard to the gem—had more than a little to do with his marvellous good fortune.

#### AN HEIRLOOM.

"It is an uncut stone which has been in the possession of my family since the twelfth century," he said. "We have always had the tradition that it will bring good fortune to any direct descendant of the family in the male line who holds it."

"A curious stipulation, however, of the tradition is that the person who has it must possess qualities which have a sympathetic attraction to the stone in order that its beneficent effect may be felt. On a flat surface of the opal is a word in old Spanish, now only dimly seen, which means in English 'good luck.'"

"I have treasured the gem as an heirloom, but have thought little of the tradition until lately, when a member of the cadet branch of the family died and left me the immense fortune I have mentioned to you. I can hardly realise all that it means to me as yet. Up to now my income has not been much more than £500, and to suddenly find £25,000 a year at one's disposal is a little staggering."

"There have been one or two previous instances where my ancestors while holding the opal have experienced exceptionally good luck, but, personally, I have not ever paid much regard to the old tradition. You may imagine, however, that the gem will be most carefully preserved by me."—*Evening News*.

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# Striking Recovery from an Usually Fatal Complaint.

By ASTROLABUS.

**T**ETANUS, or as it is more generally called, Lock-jaw—is in nearly all cases a fatal disease. Even with the prompt injection of Anti-tetanic Toxin, the prognosis is always extremely grave, and the doctors as a rule give small hopes of ultimate recovery.

Possibly one or two in a hundred may recover. In this article I give a case which has occurred under my immediate notice, which will doubtless prove interesting to our readers. The cure was effected at the London Hospital, and the case was commented on by the press at the time. The lad in question has been known to me for the last ten years, and the map appended is that for the time of his birth as given to me by his father. Our readers will note the conjunction of Neptune and

On the 1st May this year, this lad was cycling on business for his master, and was knocked off his machine by a motor-bus. The driver of the latter pulled up as short as he could, but it was not possible for him to clear the lad's leg. However, the wheel of the 'bus did not pass over the leg but crushed it and tore it, at the same time grinding the tendons at the back of the knee

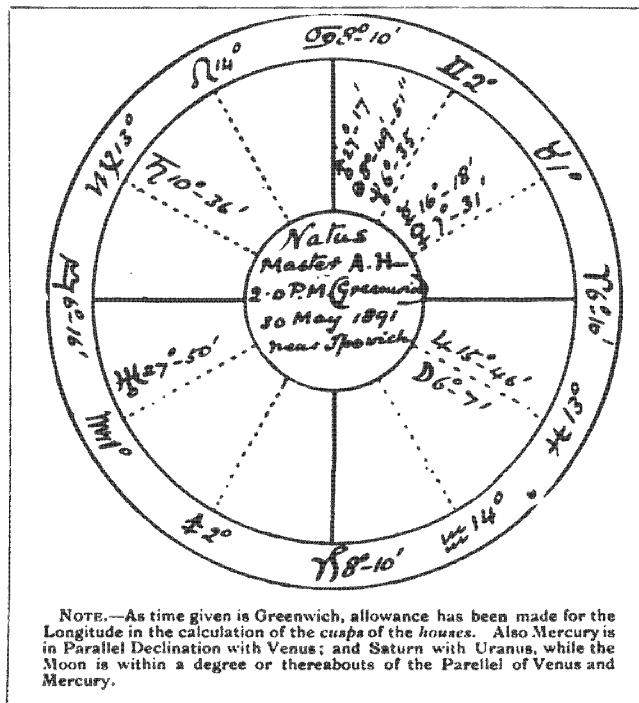
into the dirt and filth of the road. He was attended to medically, but on the 12th of the month the first symptoms of tetanus set in showing itself in the difficulty of swallowing. He was removed to the London Hospital in a day or so after. The doctors there gave no hope to the mother, but in spite of that they worked hard at the case, injecting anti-toxin and cleaning and scraping the wound out.

After a very

anxious period, to make a long story short, the lad recovered.

Now the Astrological interest of this case lies in the indications that are afforded by the stars in their courses of the accident and the recovery.

On the 16th of June, 1891, exactly 17 days after birth, corresponding to the 17th birthday, Mars was passing exactly over the radical midheaven. At the same time the



the Sun in the ninth house, the Sun by reason of its position being the Hyleg. Also, Saturn is in square to the Sun and in opposition to the Moon, which again is in square to Neptune and the Sun. Notice must also be taken of the elevated position of Mars, and the application to it by the Sun—the Hyleg. The positions and aspects above enumerated most clearly point out the probability of a dangerous accident or even of more than one.

Sun was only two degrees away from the radical place of Mars.

On the day of the accident itself Saturn was close to the opposition of the radical Ascendant, while on the day when lock-jaw supervened Saturn was in the exact degree and minute of the opposition to the Ascendant but at the same date Venus was close to the midheaven of the nativity.

At the Solar revolution itself which occurred at 4.44 p.m. on the 30th May, 1908, we find Saturn holding the place approximate of the radical descendant while Mars is close to the radical midheaven.

At the time of the first operation at the Hospital, which took place on Saturday the 16th, Venus was going over the exact degree held by the midheaven at birth.

The positions of Neptune and Uranus are also worth noticing, Uranus being opposed to the M.C. and Neptune culminating.

What probably saved the life was the fact of the square of Jupiter to the Sun (hyleg) in the Natus itself, especially as Jupiter is in the sixth at birth. I may say that this last position is generally supposed to give good health, and it is certainly correct in this case, as the native never had a day's illness in his life till the accident occurred as above described.

I think this case of planetary influence is well worth adding to the stock of those that have been recorded, and the curious student will find many other circumstances to repay his search. The primary direction of Sun conjunction with Mars by the semi-arc method gives  $21^{\circ} 1'$ , so that there is in all probability something further in store for the native in the way of accidents. (I may add that this primary direction is also attended by very dangerous secondary directions, corresponding to 21 years of age.)

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## An Original Fable.

As life wears on one often fails to see the benefits which are the outcome of present drudgery, hence we give the following as an encouragement to our readers.

"Put the young horse in plough," said the farmer; and very much pleased he was to be in a team with Dobbin and the grey mare. It was a long field, and gaily he walked across it, his nose upon Dobbin's haunches, having hard work to keep at so slow a pace.

"Where are we going now?" he said, when he got to the top. "This is very pleasant."

"Back again," said Dobbin.

"What for?" said the young horse, rather surprised; but Dobbin had gone to sleep, for he could plough as well asleep as awake.

"What are we going back for?" he asked, turning round to the old grey mare.

"Keep on," said the grey mare, "or we shall never get to the bottom, and you'll have the whip at your heels."

"Very odd indeed," said the young horse, who thought he had had enough of it, and was not sorry he was coming to the bottom of the field. Great was his astonishment when Dobbin, just opening his eyes, again turned, and proceeded at the same pace up the field again.

"How long is this going on?" asked the young horse.

Dobbin just glanced across the field as his eyes closed, and fell asleep again, as he began to calculate how long it would take to plough it.

"How long will this go on?" he asked, turning to the grey mare.

"Keep up, I tell you," she said, "or you'll have me on your heels."

When the top came, and another turn, and the bottom, and another turn, the poor young horse was in despair; he grew quite dizzy, and was glad, like Dobbin, to shut his eyes, that he might get rid of the sight of the same ground so continually.

"Well" he said, when the gears were taken off, "if this is your ploughing, I hope I shall have no more of it." But his hopes were vain; for many days he ploughed, till he got—not reconciled to it—but tired of complaining of the weary, monotonous work.

In the hard winter, when comfortably housed in the warm stable, he cried out to Dobbin, as he was eating some delicious oats, "I say, Dobbin, this is better than ploughing; do you remember that field? I hope I shall never have anything to do with that business again. What in the world could be the use of walking up a field just for the sake of walking down again? It's enough to make one laugh to think of it."

"How do you like your oats?" said Dobbin.

"Delicious!" said the young horse.

"Then please to remember, if there were no ploughing, there would be no oats."

# Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

NOVEMBER, 1908.

1	7	27	Not a good day for important affairs. Superiors should not be approached or favours asked.
2	21	35	This is an excellent day for commencing new works and undertakings, also for dealing with financial and social affairs.
3	5	53	This is a doubtful day for all purposes up to seven in the evening. After this hour deal with superiors and ask favours.
4	20	21	A good day till evening. Travel, remove, deal with strangers, attend to correspondence and business affairs. In the evening keep quiet and avoid disputes with others.
5	4	53	An evil for all things generally. Avoid women and social matters, pay no calls, and safeguard the health.
6	19	23	Another evil day. Be careful of accidents in the morning, avoid strangers and act discreetly in all matters.
7	3	45	From 10 to 2 in the day push business, attend to correspondence, and start new concerns. In the evening attend to social duties, pay calls, and entertain.
8	17	54	Avoid superiors and act discreetly; a bad day for commencing new work; have no dealings with the other sex.
9	1	47	In the morning act quietly and discreetly; after 3 deal with elderly people, and important matters. In the evening entertain, attend to social duties and seances.
10	15	10	The day is not good for important affairs. In the evening attend to matters requiring energy and perseverance.
11	28	14	Attend to business and correspondence before 4 p.m. Evil for other matters; safeguard the health.
12	10	57	Good for social and business affairs from 12 to 2. Evil for all else; avoid the other sex during this day.
13	23	21	Beware of accidents and disputes; act discreetly in all dealings with others. Attend to social matters in evening.
14	5	29	Attend to important matters in the morning. Act quietly and attend to ordinary duties rest of day.
15	17	27	Not a good day for visiting or social intercourse. Attend to business of no great importance and avoid other sex.
16	29	19	An unimportant day; no matters of moment should be attended to and all actions should be discreet.
17	11	11	An important day. Attend to business and correspondence before noon. Social matters and financial concerns in the afternoon, travel and entertain in the evening.
18	23	7	Avoid financial transactions in the morning, and beware of law and quarrels. Ask favours and deal with superiors in the afternoon and evening. Attend concerts, etc., at night.
19	5	11	An evil day for all purposes. Avoid elders; safeguard the health; have no dealings with others; and beware of accidents.
20	17	28	An unfavourable day for all matters until evening. Then deal with ladies, and attend places of amusement, etc.
21	29	58	Avoid quarrelling, law and financial transactions. The afternoon is good for social matters and business affairs.
22	12	45	An important day after 10 a.m. Push business, travel, remove and attend to all important and pressing affairs. A good day for new undertakings.
23	25	48	A doubtful day—do nothing important; act discreetly and avoid business and other matters as far as possible.
24	9	6	An unfavourable day; no important matters should be undertaken, and disputes and the opposite sex avoided.
25	22	38	A quiet day till evening. Then deal with social matters, elders and other sex, entertain and attend places of amusement.
26	6	23	An important day. Good for new undertakings; and in the evening for dealing with important matters.
27	20	17	Act discreetly before noon; then attend to business matters and correspondence; evening, social affairs.
28	4	18	A doubtful day—except from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Then deal with superiors and push affairs.
29	18	25	A quiet day generally; avoid disputes and quarrels and be careful in speech and correspondence on all matters.
30	2	34	A generally successful day for pushing affairs and clearing up matters. It will be necessary to act discreetly in dealings with others.

# Horoscopes of Notable Women.

II.—H.M. Queen Alexandra.

**W**E have been asked on several occasions to give our readers the horoscope of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra, and now have pleasure in so doing. The figure appended below is that given in an old number of an astrological magazine and can be taken as correct, although we should in company with others, say that the sign Libra was rising, and not Scorpio. The figure given shows the

third decanate of Scorpio rising with Venus in the sign, on the cusp of the twelfth house. The Sun is rising in the ascendant in Sagittarius, applying to trine with the Moon in the ninth, Mercury on the cusp of the second, in exact trine with the Moon. Saturn is in third, in square to Venus, Jupiter in the fourth in trine to the ascending degree. Uranus is not far from the cusp of

the fifth house and Neptune is in the third. The rising position of Venus gives refinement, elegance, amiability of temper and virtue, and that of the Sun gives dignity and pride, honour, eminence, popularity, and kindliness of heart.

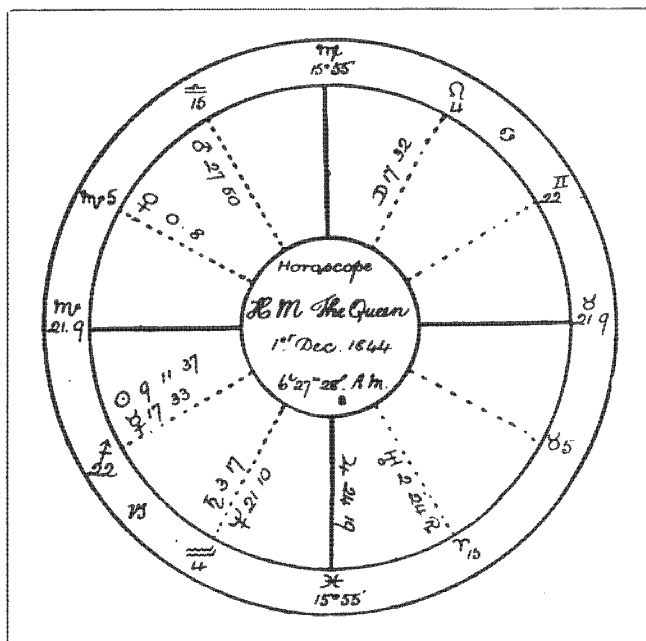
The disposition is full of dignity and self-respect, tact and diplomacy, with energy, activity, self-confidence, power and authority, and ability to hold her own in whatever

sphere she is placed. The character is frank and open, enterprising, generous, sincere, devoted, kind hearted and affectionate. There is a love of music, art, poetry, and all beautiful things. The Moon in the ninth house in trine to the Sun and Mercury, gives a frank nature, with perseverance, affection, intuition, and a love of the beautiful in art and nature. The mental abilities are strong with good powers of judgment,

an excellent mind and keen understanding, with an appreciation of art, literature and science. The position of the Moon gives a love of travel, and journeys to foreign countries while the strong position and aspects of the chief significators is an augury of a brilliant future, and high dignities. The square of Venus to Saturn and her proximity to Mars, has been

the cause of several disappointments in Her Majesty's life. In support of this we may cite, the loss of her eldest son, severe illnesses of her husband, King Edward, also the disastrous war and loss of part of her father's dominions.

The influences during the coming years are not over favourable, for Mars is just in conjunction with the Sun, though in 1910 we have Venus in parallel to the Sun. 1912



appears to be the worst year, for the Sun is then in opposition to the Moon, and in the summer of that year, the Moon comes to the conjunction of the Sun and opposition of her own place. Important events are shown from this and a great change in the life and position.

## The Ancient Rosicrucians.

THE Rosicrucian Society instituted in the fourteenth century was an extraordinary Brotherhood, exciting curiosity and commanding attention and scrutiny. The members delved in abstruse studies; many became anchorites, and were engrossed in mystic philosophy and theosophy. This strange Fraternity, asserted by some authorities to have been instituted by Roger Bacon near the close of the thirteenth century, filled the world with renown as to their incomprehensible doctrines and presumed abilities. They claimed to be the exponents of the true Cabala, as embracing theosophy as well as the science of numbers. They are said to delve in strange things and deep Mysteries; to be enwrapped in the Occult Sciences, sometimes vulgarly termed the "Black Art"; and in the secrets of Magic and Sorcery, which are looked upon by the critical eyes of the world as tending to the supernatural, and a class of studies to be avoided.

These Mystics, for whom great philanthropy is claimed, and not without reason, are heard of as early as the commencement of the fourteenth century in the person of Raymond Lully, the renowned scholiast and metaphysical chemist, who proved to be an adept in the doctrines taught at the German Seat of Hermetic Learning in 1302, and who died in 1315. Fidelity and Secrecy were the first care of the Brotherhood. They claimed a kinship to the ancient philosophies of Egypt, the Chaldeans, the Magi of Persia, and even the Gymnosophists of India. They were unobtrusive and retiring in the extreme. They were learned in the principles and sciences of Chemistry, Hermeticism, Magnetism, Astrology, Astronomy, and Theosophy, by which they obtained great powers through their discoveries, and aimed at the universal solvent—the Philosopher's Stone—thereby striving to acquire the power of transmuting baser metals into silver and gold, and of indefinitely prolonging human life. As a Fraternity they were distinct from the Cabalist, Illuminati, and Carbonari, and in this relation they have been largely and unpleasantly misrepresented. Ignorance and prejudice on the part of the learned as to the real purposes of the Rosicrucians and as to the beneficence of that Fraternity has wrought them great injustice. Science is infinitely indebted to this Order. The renowned reviver of Oriental literature, John Reuchlin, who died in 1522; the famous philosopher and classic scholar, John Picus di Mirandola,

who died in 1484; the celebrated divine and distinguished philosopher, Cornelius Henry Agrippa, who died in 1535; the remarkable chemist and physician, John Baptist Von Helmont, who died in 1644; and the famous physician and philosopher, Robert Fludd, who died in 1637, all attest the power and unquestioned prominence of the famous Brotherhood. It is not the part of wisdom to disdain the Astrological and Hermetic Association of Elias Ashmole, author of the "Way to Bliss." All Europe was permeated by this secret organisation, and the renown of the Brotherhood was pre-eminent about the year 1615. Wessel's "Fama Fraternitatis," the curious work "Secretioris Philosophiæ Consideratis," and "Cum Confessione Fraternitatis," by P. A. Gabella, with Fludd's "Apologia," the "Chemische Hochzeit of Christian Rosenkreuz," by Valentine Andrae; and the endless volumes, such as the "Fama Ramissa," establish the high rank in which the Brotherhood was held. Its curious, unique, and attractive Rosaic doctrines interested the masses of scholars of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. With the Rosicrucians worldly grandeur faded before intellectual elevation. They were simple in their attire, and passed individually through the world unnoticed and unremarked, save by deeds of benevolence and humanity.

### THE MODERN ROSICRUCIANS.

The Modern Society of Rosicrucians was given its present definite form by Robert Wentworth Little, of England, but a few years ago; it is founded upon the remains or the embers of an old German association which has come under his observation during some of his researches. Brother Little Anglicised it, giving it a more perfect system, and placing it in that condition in which it was received in the United States.

The purpose of Robert Wentworth Little was to create a literary organisation, having in view a base for the collection and deposit of Archæological and Historical subjects pertaining to Freemasonry, Secret Societies in general, and interesting provincial matter; to inspire a greater disposition to obtain historical truth and to displace error; to bring to light much in relation to a certain class of scientists and scholars, and the results of their life-labours, that were gradually dying away in the memories of men. To accomplish this end he called about him some of his most prominent English and Scottish Masonic friends inclined to literary pursuits, and they awarded their approval and hearty co-operation.

The Rosicrucian Societies for England and Scotland were immediately established; and in 1876 the Order was planted in the Dominion of Canada by authority of Prince Rhodokanakis, of Greece, in which latter country it had been introduced from England. It was introduced and organised in the United States in 1879. The Society also exists in Ireland, in Tunis, in China, in India, and New Zealand.

For Books on Freemasonry see page 39.

**Rites and Mysteries of the Rosicrucians, 10/6.** is the standard modern work on Rosicrucianism.—To be obtained of W. Foulsham & Co., 4, Pilgrim Street, E.C.

# Birthday Influences during November.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. An unsuccessful year, danger of troubles through correspondence, and loss of employment. Benefits through elderly people, but some grief through the other sex. A child born on this day will be sharp and sarcastic, will benefit in employment, but should never undertake work on own responsibility.

2. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A better year, many benefits, success socially and financially, improvement of position, and gain in many things. A child born on this day will rise in life, have the respect and confidence of others, be active and energetic, and very successful.

3. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A changeable year is shown, some favourable changes, benefits, in employment, but financial losses and heavy expenses. A child born on this day will have an unsettled career, some benefits in employment, but be extravagant and rash in money matters, and not very successful.

4. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A generally successful year, many changes, improvement in affairs, social and financial gain, but some danger of indisposition. A child born on this day will be clever, original and inventive, will travel much, and be skilled in science or literature.

5. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A very unfavourable year; grief, disappointments and indisposition, danger of plots and schemes and much trouble. A child born on this day will have many troubles to contend with, be involved in disputes and contentions, and should be very careful in dealings with the other sex, as loss of honour is shown.

6. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. Another very evil year, many troubles and trials, grief and disappointments, danger of accidents and ill health, but some important benefits and changes. A child born on this day will be erratic, tricky and rash, will be in danger of trouble through impulsive conduct, but will benefit through travel and adventure.

7. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A changeable year, danger of accidents and disputes, but some financial benefits, and gain through friends. The latter part of the year will be more successful. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty and erratic in behaviour, will rise in life to a fairly good position, but should guard against disputes and litigation.

8. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. An unfavourable year, danger of trouble through superiors and loss of employment, some beneficial changes, and disappointments with the

other sex. A child born on this day will be original and inventive, should never go into business on own account, but always keep in employment; not a very successful life is shown.

9. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A generally successful year, improvement of position, gain financially and socially, benefits and success through the opposite sex. A child born on this day will have a fairly successful life, gain socially and financially through friends and superiors, and should make a successful marriage.

10. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A changeable year, some success in enterprise, but otherwise not very important. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, be very active and enterprising, and gain through energy and work.

11. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. An unfavourable year, danger of indisposition, loss of employment and much trouble and worry. A child born on this day will be best in employment of others, will have good abilities, but health will be a great drawback in many ways.

12. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A changeable year, no very great success, some financial gain, but trouble through the other sex and in dealings with others. A child born on this day will have a quiet career, be subject to much annoyance from others, should be careful in money affairs and in dealings with others.

13. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A variable year, some gain in employment, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born on this day will benefit through employment and the help of friends, will be of a rash and impulsive nature, and in danger of disputes and litigation.

14. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. An unimportant year, some troubles through letters and correspondence, but benefits through employment and elders. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, many little drawbacks, but will be of a grave, serious and contented nature.

15. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A changeable year, some financial benefits, gain through employment, but danger of trouble through superiors and the other sex. A child born on this day will be fairly successful in life, will have trouble with the opposite sex, and will do best in employment.

16. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ☿, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊, ☊ ☊. A quiet year generally, some successes, but many little worries and annoyances. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, without much success or losses. He will be of an active and energetic nature

17. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♊, \* ♄, △ ♄, ♄ ♄, \* ♄. A successful year, improvement of position, much activity and general success, financial and social gain. A child born on this day will rise in life, and obtain credit and approval from others; will be clever and original and be very successful.

18. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♊, \* ☿. A generally successful year, some gain through superiors and in employment, but danger of financial losses and litigation. A child born on this day will be fairly successful, should remain in employ, and never undertake speculative matters, and avoid litigation.

19. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, ♄ ♄. An unsuccessful year, danger of ill health and bereavement, with many troubles. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle in life, and have many troubles and trials to contend with.

20. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, □ ♄, □ ♄, ♄ ♄. An unfavourable year, many losses and crosses, unfavourable changes, and general upsetting of affairs. An improvement financially towards the close. A child born on this day will have many troubles to contend with in life, many changes and mutations of fortune.

21. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, ♄ ♄. An evil year, danger of indisposition or accident, also of disputes and litigation. Some benefits through the opposite sex, also social gains as the year ends. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, extravagant and impulsive with money, but will gain through the opposite sex, and have many social advantages.

22. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, △ ♄, \* ♄, \* ♄, ♄ ♄. A generally successful year, many benefits, social gain, improvement of position, benefits in employ, but some slight troubles in dealings with others. A child born on this day will rise in life through talent and merit, have many successes, and gain the approval of friends and superiors.

23. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋. A quiet year, some little changes, benefits through study and mental work. A child born on this day will be clever, talented and original will rise in life and obtain some recognition in the sphere he works.

24. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♌. An unsuccessful year, many ups and downs, losses and changes, some benefits in employ. A child born on this day will not have a very successful life, have many changes and mutations of fortune, and be somewhat extravagant, will gain in employ.

25. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♌, A quiet year generally, benefits through the opposite sex, and in financial affairs. A child born on this day will rise in life and gain credit and renown, have the assistance and friendship of elderly people, and benefit through them.

26. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♌, □ ♄, \* ♄, △ ♄, □ ♄. A beneficial birthday, with promotion and improvement in affairs, some danger of indisposition, but many benefits, social and financial. A child born on this day will rise in life to a good position, will be liable to attacks from

inferiors, but should gain approval and be a social success.

27. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♌, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄, \* ♄. An unfortunate birthday, many changes, upsets and troubles to contend against; benefits in business. A child born on this day will be clever, but impulsive, changeable and secretive; will have many troubles in life, mainly brought about by his own mental attitude towards his surroundings.

28. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♌, \* ☿, \* ♄, □ ♄, □ ♄. A changeable year, some losses, trouble through others, danger of disputes and quarrels, but benefits in employ and through superiors and elderly people. A child born on this day will be rash and headstrong, will get into trouble through the opposite sex, but will benefit in employment, through superiors, and by steadfastness or purpose and personal merit.

29. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♌, □ ♄. A quiet and uneventful year, some trouble through letters and correspondence, and in dealings with others. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, will be somewhat sharp and sarcastic, and be in danger of trouble in dealings with others.

30. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♌, △ ♄, △ ♄, □ ☿. A successful year generally, some danger of plots and schemes, but benefits through energy and enterprise and through the other sex. Gain in financial matters is shown. A child born on this day will be active and energetic, affectionate and kind, will gain through matters to do with water, will benefit in employ, and should avoid going into business on own account.

### Penny Postage to America.

There is an uninterrupted chorus of praise for the latest postal reform, and many columns have appeared in American and English papers which are very flattering reading to the authorities on both sides of the Atlantic, and to Mr. Henniker Heaton and Mr. Whitelaw Reid, just to mention two names; but the following, from the *New York World*, is a fair sample of the rest and will suffice.

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## Astrology and Science.

By JAMES HARVEY.—Author of "Essays on Astrology."

HERE is no science which has been so much misrepresented, and is suffering from misstatement in this our own day, as the ancient science of planetary influence. Encyclopædias, dictionaries,—and all other books of reference that take notice of the subject, refer to it in a bigoted manner, making it out to be only a fragment of the past; and a superstition of the darkness and undevelopment of the human race. In this way the average man reading and obtaining information from these scientific and literary journalists, forms an opinion of stellar wisdom which is anything but admirable. But Truth knows not death: The eternal years of God are Hers. Had the late Dr. Garnett, of the British Museum, lived to complete his work on the subject of Astrology for the Encyclopædia Britannica, the theme would have been presented and stated in a thorough and unbiassed manner. Experience had brought home the truth to this noble and great soul; and when he had found the light he endeavoured to give it to the world in his essay, "The Soul and the Stars,"\* a production which startled the mental physiologists of that time, thirty years ago. The planetary positions, comparisons and corroborations, as to insanity in the case of criminal, king and genius, contained in Dr. Garnett's work are remarkable and significant; and will remain an eternal pillar in the structure of astral philosophy. And evidence of this description is abundant, and will well reward the mind that will take to heart the task of perusing some of it; and as sure as they read and observe, they will find an erudition of profound harmony, beauty and truth. The immense distance of the orbs that are purported by Astrology to affect human kind, is a deterring factor in the acceptance of the verity of firmamental incitement. But when it is considered that the sensitive-plate of the astronomer's camera can record the existence of stars which the telescope cannot show to the observer's eyes, it does not require a vast supply of credulity to see the *rationale* of the thesis of star action. For, inasmuch as a luminous point in the heavens will imprint itself upon the photographic plate from an incomprehensible distance, it is but a step to entertain, as a logical conclusion, the influence of the same forces upon all things: man, beast, land, sea and atmosphere; and that all things are subservient to stellar force will not be disputed by anyone of a scientifically-inclined nature who has an observing eye and a comprehensive mind.

Need it be reiterated, that the Moon affects the tides; that insane people manifest infuriated and stronger symptoms of lunacy during the full of the orb of night; and that it is recorded, those who stammer are worse and more beset by their affliction during the same period: that all commodities planted

in the first quarter of the moon thrive and produce plentifully; that sailors and dwellers in oriental and tropical latitudes through sleeping in the rays of the Earth's satellite become Moon- or night-blind? But enough. This sort of evidence is very rife; and to those interested in it, they will get plenty of it advanced in my "Essays on Astrology," and in all books, periodicals and journals devoted to the theme of planetary learning.

Yet in passing let me bring before the mind of all enquiring readers that Sir Norman Lockyer accounts for the Indian famine, and the low tides of the Nile valley by the action or effect of Sun-spots. Mr. W. G. Old, an eminent astrologer, in his introduction to "Prognostic Astronomy" thus puts it in a terse manner: "Famine years in India are low tide years in the Nile, and both are controlled by the prevalence of Sun-spots." And, further, "Sun-spots have direct relation to the periodic ratios of the planets Jupiter and Mars." This points to an astronomer of great reputation making a discovery which is astrological in its nature as far as explanation goes. But Sir Norman Lockyer would hardly admit that, owing to his orthodox scientific training. The schools of science to-day are as intolerant to new ideas that do not fit in with their views and theories, as the church of mediæval times was to those who passed through the stake and the chamber of pain unto death for the cause of truth.

Henrich Däath, a notable writer on stellar science, in an article "Lunar Periods," cites three cases from the newspapers establishing the influence of the Moon. The first being a man who drowned himself, his widow explaining at the inquest, he was always strange in his manner and "every time the Moon changed, so did he." The next a boy suicide, of who, his father said, "was always strange once a month, when it was nearly full Moon time." On the Coroner asking did he attribute his son's strangeness to the state of the Moon, he received the reply, "I am sure of it." The third is of a man convicted of theft. In his trial it came out he was suffering from a blow on the head, and that he always went wrong when there was a change in the Moon. Surely this should be convincing enough of planetary influence; and, at the very least, awaken interest and enquiry into the subject.

M. Camille Flammarion, the French astronomer, in speaking of the effects of comets said, "A cometary atmosphere bringing a quantity, even relatively small, of dioxide would absorb our oxygen, arrest the transformation of venous blood into arterial blood, and suppress in a few hours human respiration. That would be death from suffocation." Then, after dealing with the chemical composition of these wanderers of the sky, he continued: "It is easy to imagine a comet which its meeting, instead of absorbing the oxygen of our atmosphere, would absorb the nitrogen, and thus gradually increase the pulmonary, cardiac and

\* "Soul and the Stars," 1/2 post free.

cerebral activity of all the Earth's inhabitants. At first this would prove a most delightful sensation. Everybody would be perfectly happy and appreciate better than ever the 'joy of living.' This universal contentment would give place to a boisterous gaiety, and all human beings would become great speakers and singers. Then a certain pulsation in the veins would convoke young men and women to an irresistible dance, and soon this joy would give place to delirium, until the human race would begin to dance a wild dance, and end in consuming up all their organic tissue!"

Here, again, is an astronomer unconsciously asserting the effect of change in the Earth's atmosphere, through the agency of members of the planetary host. And those who have read "In the Days of the Comet" will remember the same idea is adopted by Mr. H. G. Wells; the new state of society and the new world taking place, after the Earth has plunged through the cometary matter which causes the great social change.

The meteorological department of modern science is one of the greatest fiascoes that ever was carried on in the courts of civilised learning. They cannot predict further than twenty-four hours in front, and having recourse to instruments, records, etc. before doing so. In many cases the weather is far wide of the mark; while the despised and reviled astrologer can tabulate the weather for the coming year, and three months before the year is due; and could do so for thirty, fifty or a hundred years with the same exactitude, if necessary. Let those who doubt this, test it by purchasing any of the almanacs, Raphael's, Old Moore's, Zadkiel's or any other, edited by an astrologer, and they will soon discover the truth of this.

By the government of this country there are persons appointed at hundreds of pounds per annum, for meteorological purposes; and to warn the natives of tempestuous and seismic happenings, in countries such as India and other territories that are subject to such phenomena. But the weather-wise gentry are never heeded unless their prognostications are corroborated by the native astrologer. They have found the modern meteorologist wanting; and rely with certainty on those who have the same lore as Barak of old, who knew the sacred river Kishon would rise in flood and baffle Sisera in pursuit. Barak was a reader of the stars, for the writer of the Scripture narrative speaks thus, "The stars in their courses strove against Sisera"; that is, the positions of the planets caused a spate on the river with much rain; and prevented Sisera's fording of the stream. Where modern science blunders is in the fact that they totally repudiate the idea of stellar force or action affecting the weather; and doing so, their science (?) can be nought but a blind, lame, halting thing.

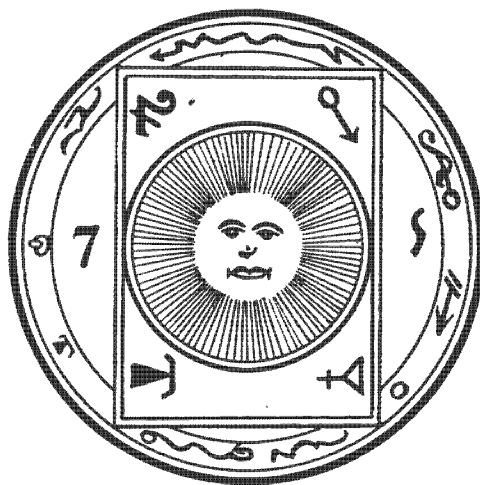
In the science of earthquakes the savants of the civilisation of the western world are also at fault, having specious theories as to the cause, origin and locality of same. At this time it is not for me to discuss seismic theories: but it is a fact, that not one of these learned observers can tell of the occurrence of an earthquake until it has happened. Yet, by the aid of the ancient astral wisdom we find Mr.

A. J. Pearce (Zadkiel II.) not only predicting the time of the earthquake at Simla exactly, but also the exact degree of latitude. And these men of earthquake erudition smile sarcastically when reference is made to stellar philosophy. Commander Morrison (Zadkiel I.) was famous for his predictions in this phase of astrology, and startled the world during his life with remarkable prophecies. And all the astrological almanacs teem with these things; and are all published three months prior to the curtain rising on the year wherein the events are to take place.

Science talks of chance, guess, and coincidence, when an astrological hit is made; and laughs in derision when things fall short or out of range: but, if the mistakes and successes of Astrology and modern Science were to be computed and compared, I am inclined to think—in fact, I am sure—modern science would suffer by the test.

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## Restoring Sight with Herbs.

THE people in the Stowey district have been much interested in the remarkable restoration of the sight of two labourers resident in their midst. The names of the men whose blindness has been dispelled are Wm. Harris, of Castle Street, Nether Stowey, and Anthony Palmer, of Quarry Breach, Over Stowey, and the cure in each instance has been due to the same agency, viz., the application of lotion prepared from herbs. Their deliverer from the bondage of blindness is Mr. H. W. Gould, of Minehead, who for the past fifteen years has made a study of medical botany. Mr. Gould by trade is a plumber and decorator, but devotes his spare time to the science of herbalry. Although he has achieved several remarkable cures in the past his unobtrusiveness and hatred of publicity have prevented, until the present cases came to knowledge, his name coming into prominence. The remarkable fact in connection with both cases is that the unfortunate men were declared incurable by the medical profession at the Bristol Eye Hospital. The cures having been the subject of much talk in the neighbourhood a correspondent visited Nether Stowey to learn the exact details of the cases. William Harris, who is a strongly built middle-aged man of the farm-labouring class, willingly told the story of regaining his sight. He said that about eighteen months ago whilst following his occupation at Ashford one of his eyes gradually became affected. He consulted a local doctor, and also visited the Bristol Eye Hospital, where he was extensively treated. He speaks in terms of the highest praise of the attention and kindness of the Bristol Hospital, but he reluctantly confessed that their skill could not check the growth of the cataract on his eye. Slowly the other eye became affected, and slowly he realised that he was descending into the abyss of hopeless blindness. Little by little, he pathetically related, the light of day became dimmer and dimmer. Often he would hold his hand before his fading eyes, and each day he did so the outline of his fingers seemed fainter and more indistinct. Realising that he had a wife and child to support he struggled on, hoping against hope that the darkness into which he was descending would pass away. Through the kindness of friends he continued for some months in attendance at the Bristol Hospital, until at length the house surgeon mournfully informed him that hope there was none. Blindness must be his lot until merciful death relieved him of his banishment from a sight of the world. To me, Harris added, this was a terrible blow, because I had always loved the country, I was born in the country and had worked all my days in the open air. My whole head ached, and my heart, too, when I thought no more should I see my own little girl. I might hear her talk and laugh, but I should never see her bright little form again. Of course, knowing the country well, I could still get about with the aid of a stick. I knew by the heat of the sun when it was

day, and by the coolness of the air when it was night. Then the farmer for whom I had been working left the farm, and the newcomer naturally wanted a man who could work, so I left my pleasant cottage, and wife, child, and I came to Nether Stowey. Here my wife took in washing to keep us. Just when there seemed no ray of hope Mr. Gould, of Minehead, was told of my plight, and he came to see me. He examined my eyes, and to me gave the cheering message, "I think I can cure you." Some advised me not to have anything to do with him, but somehow I had confidence and believed that he could restore my sightless eyes. He sent me some lotion and ointment to use, and the first time I applied the lotion I felt a severe tingling from here (pointing to his eyes) to the back of my head. I believed that touched the root of the trouble. I continued for six weeks using the lotion and ointment, and then to my great joy one morning I saw a glimmer of daylight. Feeling that there was hope after all I persevered in the treatment, and gradually the scales with which my eyes had been clotted began to disappear, and again I could see my own wife and child and the world around me. Now (he added with great pleasure) I can see to walk about alone. I can also see the time by my watch, and I can read the big print of a newspaper. My eyesight is gradually improving, and I am hoping one day to see like I once could. Harris, continuing, said he could now do little odd jobs, but he was anxious not to strain his eyesight too much. He mentioned that many of the country people regarded the restoration of his sight as a miracle.

The story of Palmer is very much the same. In his case the sight of one eye was completely gone, whilst the other was affected. He, too, attended the Bristol Eye Hospital, but was sent home as incurable. Hearing of Mr. Gould's treatment he put himself under that gentleman's care, and in a short time the partially affected eye was completely restored to its normal sight, whilst the other one is rapidly improving.

**A BEAUTY BATH.**—The healthy Romans and Spartans, who were beautiful and strong, loved their baths. The famously beautiful women of Greece and Rome not only were athletic, playing ball and enjoying racing and other sports, but they bathed incessantly, well knowing that cleanliness was a vital point in their battles against weakness. Mme. Tallien, the beautiful French woman, every morning took a refreshing bath in a big tub of rain water, which is the most cleansing of waters. Rain water being impossible for the average modern woman, other expedients come to her aid. For the average use a tepid bath, followed by the prodigal dashing of cold water, is a good rule. This can be taken early in the morning after the few minutes of morning exercise, or in the evening just before retiring.

# Fitted to a Hair.

SOME TIME ago, being in company with a medical man, whom I will call Mr. R—, we fell into conversation on the uses of the microscope, in the management of which he was an adept. "Now," said he, "I will tell you a story of what happened to myself—one which, I think, well illustrates the importance of this instrument to society, though I was put in a very unpleasant position owing to my acquaintance with it."

"I have, as you know, given a good deal of attention to comparative anatomy, especially to the structure of the hair as it appears under the microscope. To the unassisted eye, indeed, all hair appears very much alike, except as it is long or short, dark or fair, straight or curly, coarse or fine. Under the microscope, however, the case is very different; the white man's is round; the negro's oval; the mouse's apparently jointed; the bat's, jagged; and so on. Indeed, every animal has hair of a peculiar character, and, what is more, this character varies according to the part of the body from which it is taken—an important circumstance, as will appear from my story, which is this:—

"I once received a letter by post, containing a few hairs, with a request that I would examine them, and adding that they would be called for in a few days. Accordingly, I submitted the hairs to the microscope, when I discovered that they were from the human eyebrow, and had been bruised. I made a note to this effect, and folded it up with the hairs in an envelope, ready for the person who had sent them. In a few days a stranger called and inquired whether I had made the investigation. 'Oh yes,' I said, 'there they are, and you will find them and their description in this envelope,' handing it to him at the same time. He expressed himself as being much obliged, and offered me a fee, which, however, I declined, telling him that I could not think of taking anything for so small a matter."

"It turned out, however, of more consequence than I had imagined, for within a week I was served with a subpoena to attend as a witness on a trial for murder. This was very disagreeable, as I have said; but there was no help for it now. The case was this. A man had been killed by a blow with some blunt instrument on the eyebrow, and the hairs sent to me for examination had been taken from a hammer in the possession of the suspected murderer. I was put into the witness-box, and my testimony 'that the hairs were from the human eyebrow, and had been bruised,' was just the link in the chain of evidence which sufficed to convict the prisoner. The jury, however, were not easily satisfied that my statement was worth anything; and it required the solemn assurance of the judge that such a conclusion was within the reach of science, to convince them that they might act upon it."

"One juryman in particular—an old farmer—was very hard to satisfy. 'Does thee mean to say,' said

he, 'that thee can tell any hair of any animal?' I answered that I would not take upon myself to assert positively that I could do so, although I believed I could. 'Well' said he, 'I'll prove thee.'

"The prisoner, as I said, was convicted, and I went home, and, in the busy life of an extensive practice, forgot all about my obstinate old farmer. About two years afterwards, however, a person, an utter stranger to me, called on me with a few hairs screwed up in a piece of paper, which he asked me to examine and report on."

"'Is this another murder case?' I inquired; 'for if so, I will have nothing to do with it. I've had enough of that sort of work.'

"'No, no,' said he, 'it is nothing of the kind. It is only a matter of curiosity, which I should be very much obliged if you would solve; and if you will do it, I will call or send for the result in a few days' time.' Having received this assurance, I undertook the investigation."

"When he was gone, and I had leisure, I put the hairs under the microscope, and soon discovered that they were taken from the back of a Norway rat."

"Two or three days afterwards, as I was sitting in my consulting-room, an old farmer-looking man was ushered in. 'Well' said he, 'has thee looked at them hairs?'

"'Yes,' I answered, 'and I find that they are from the back of a Norway rat.' 'Well,' said he, 'so they are. Thou hast forgotten me; but I have not forgotten thee. Does thee recollect the trial for murder at L—assizes? I said I would prove thee; and so I have, for them hairs come from the back of a rat's skin my son sent me from Norway.' So the old gentleman was quite satisfied with the proof to which he had put me, and I, as you may suppose, was well pleased that my skill and sagacity had stood such a queer proof as this, and more convinced than ever of the value of the microscope."

Here the Doctor ended his story, which I have given as nearly as possible in his own words, and upon which I believe that a thorough dependence may be placed.

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## A Page for the Ladies.

### She Wants a "Man."

After several years' personal experience among a large staff of the better-class business girls, I can say that deep down in the heart of almost every girl is a desire for a home, however humble, which she may share with "someone," an outspoken yearning for tiny arms about her neck, tiny hands to cling to her. Only one who knows can tell of the little sacrifices to add to the treasures of that "bottom drawer," the half-shy interest in household affairs, that the mere man never hears about or dreams of.

But man asks for smartness, gaiety, excitement, and so she lays aside her womanliness and tries to meet his requirements—with indifferent success. The ordinary man is a humbug, and while professing to admire the womanly girl, often leaves her alone, while he seeks the more exciting society of those whom he has made after his own pattern.

The "home" and "mother" instinct is still strong in woman, but she wants a "man," not a male animal who calmly offers her the dregs of his existence after having "had his fling" and wasted his youth in "pleasures" which she knows not of.

### Curious Marriage Customs.

In France among the higher classes marriages are arranged by the parents or relatives of the parties, the latter knowing very little of each other before the actual ceremony.

In Turkey a first-class marriage is contracted by parents when the children are sometimes three years old. Turkish marriage laws make it next to impossible for a Turk to have more than two wives; before he can do this he must prove that he can support No. 2 equally as well as No. 1.

In Finland there is a species of marriage on trial, but if the husband backs out of this, he is compelled to endow his wife with one half of his worldly goods.

In Thibet, provided a man starts with the eldest girl in a family, he can marry all her sisters. One ceremony can do for all if he desires to save expense.

Among the Eskimos, a man, before he can marry, must show that he is able to support a wife by his prowess as a hunter.

In Hawaii the marriage ceremony is simple. It consists in touching noses in the presence of friends.

In Southern Chili a man may have as many wives as he chooses, but it is expected that each will present him with a costly cloak.

In Great Britain a man can marry a woman with a past, and has no power of obtaining divorce on discovering her real character.

In Japan, according to old and established custom, the eldest child, whether male or female, must, under all circumstances, abide at and inherit the home. By this means a continuous succession is assured, and the estates cannot pass into the hands of strangers. From this arrangement it

follows, of course, that no eldest child can marry and live with an eldest child of the opposite sex. When an heiress weds, her husband must assume the family name.

In Spain a similar custom prevails in certain families among the people of the Basque provinces in the North of Spain. An eldest son among them is not allowed to marry an eldest daughter, if both are first born. In this case, too, the husband of any eldest daughter takes up his residence under his wife's roof, and adopts her name, which is thus transmitted to their children.

In modern Babylon the tying of the marriage knot is nowadays but a figure of speech, but in ancient Babylon it formed an important part of the marriage ceremony. Then the priest took a thread from the garment of the bride, and another from that of the bridegroom, and formed them into a knot, which he gave to the bride, thus symbolising the binding nature of the union.

### How to Keep Young.

There are many medical recipes for securing this desirable object; but we venture to think that our own list is better than pills or potions. This is what we recommend:—

Keep in the sunlight; nothing beautiful or sweet grows or ripens in the darkness.

Avoid fear in all its varied forms of expression. It is the greatest enemy of the human race.

Avoid excesses of all kinds; they are injurious. The long life must be a temperate, regular life.

Don't live to eat, but eat to live. Many of our ills are due to over eating, to eating the wrong things, and to irregular eating.

Do not allow yourself to think on your birthday that you are a year older, and so much nearer the end.

Never look on the dark side. Take sunny views of everything. A sunny thought drives away the shadows.

Be a child. Live simply and naturally, and keep clear of entangling alliances and complications of all kinds.

Cultivate the spirit of contentment; all discontent and dissatisfaction bring age furrows prematurely to the face.

Form a habit of throwing off before going to bed at night all the cares and anxieties of the day—everything which can possibly cause mental wear and tear, or deprive you of rest.

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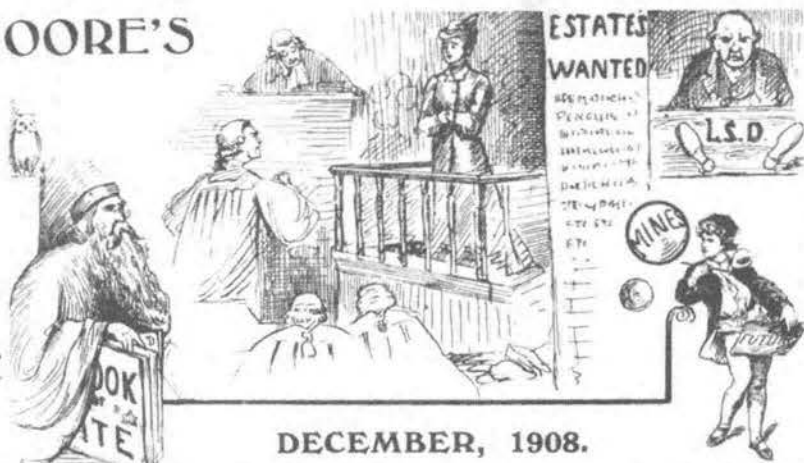
Do not sleep with the eyes facing light. It is a strain upon them.

Buttermilk is an excellent lotion for the complexion. It may be freely used to bathe the face.

For an abscess in the face cut a fig into strips and lay on the gum. This remedy has not been known to fail.

# OLD MOORE'S

## Monthly Outlook and Forecast



DECEMBER, 1908.

### The New Moon.

The New Moon of the 23rd November, falls in the fourth house in trine to Saturn, in the ninth. This is much more favourable for the people and country generally, especially for the working classes, land, and agriculture generally. The revenue will show an improvement, for Jupiter holds the second house in good aspect to Mercury, Uranus and Neptune. An improvement in trade may also be looked for, though only temporary. The conjunction of Mars and Venus in the third house will benefit railways, an increase of passenger traffic being shown, while excursion traffic will also exceed the usual amount. Mercury in the fourth house will cause the weather to be windy and changeable, with much downfall. Theatres, music halls, and similar affairs will benefit. Uranus in the sixth is bad for the navy, accidents being likely, though as this planet is well aspected by Jupiter, a large amount of money may be spent in naval works, etc. Foreign affairs will be more settled. Saturn in the ninth in trine to the Sun should benefit shipping affairs, and also Colonial matters. Many notable weddings will occur; for the ruler of the tenth is in parallel with Jupiter, and some public functions are likely. Mercury ruling the eleventh house benefits Parliament, and legislation

affecting the working classes and landed interests is likely. Neptune in the twelfth house shows scandals in workhouses and institutions, and also much secret crime, poisoning cases, etc.

### United States.

At Washington, the first face of Gemini rises, the lunation falling in the seventh house. This is good for foreign affairs, and shows some treaty or agreement with another power. Jupiter in the fifth shows an increase in the birth rate, while the opposition of Uranus and Neptune from the third and ninth houses is bad for shipping affairs.

### India.

At Calcutta, Venus and Mars are rising, showing much unrest, immorality and trouble among the people. Saturn in the sixth shows much sickness and distress. The revenue will show an increase. Accidents on railways are to be feared.

### The Far East.

At Tokio, the luminaries will be rising, denoting stirring times in the land, advancement, scientific and religious. The revenue will be subject to much fluctuation. Honours are shown to state dignitaries.

At Pekin, Mercury rises, which will cause much unrest among the people, an increase of trade, and a desire for reforms in the land.

### Europe.

At Petersburg, Jupiter will be rising, benefitting the country and people generally, but Saturn in the eighth house denotes heavy mortality and much sickness among elderly people. At Berlin, Jupiter is on the cusp of the second house, benefitting the revenue and trade. Neptune in the eleventh house points to an involved state of affairs in the Reichstag.

### General.

Troubles are shown about 75 E. for Neptune is culminating and Uranus is on the nadir. This effects India, where much unrest is shown. Spain will benefit from this lunation, also Turkey and Paris from the position of Jupiter. Crime will be prevalent in Austria. Saturn's influence is not so evil this month, as the lunation falls in trine therewith, so that countries under Aries will have a temporary respite from his scourge.

## Almanack Predictions

FOR DECEMBER, 1908.

### Old Moore.

Several changes in railways, trouble in the newspaper world, a new and beautiful flower will appear. Licensed victuallers will have a very bad time in their calling. Court functions will be shorn of much ridiculous puppetry. A new idea of coast defence will appear. Many engines and firemen will be busy in a dangerzone of the City of London about the time of Christmas Eve. A bank robbery on the 19th.

### Raphael.

The lunation tends to ameliorate the general condition of the people, and relieves much of the distress in the land. Exchequer receipts above the average. Increase of traffic on railways. Legislation or grants

from the exchequer in regard to land are likely to be made. Theatres and schools will benefit. Accidents and explosion in the navy. Rheumatic complaints prevalent. Bad for shipping and wrecks round the coast. Trouble in workhouses and institutions.

### Zadkiel.

Stationary position of Saturn in the sign ruling Old England, Germany and Denmark, bodes no good to Britons, Germans, and Danes. Changes in the governments are close at hand. Adverse weather in England, severe in Germany and Denmark. Political excitement runs high. Depression in financial circles runs high. Morocco disturbed.

### Orion.

Exchequer returns satisfactory, home trade depressed, and many failures will be recorded in commercial centres. Financial difficulties seriously affect the Stock Markets. Farming interest and small holders should be benefitted, and new laws advantageous to the tillers of the soil framed. Accidents on sea, collisions and wrecks. Busy time for railways and post office.

### Francis Moore.

Matters to do with education and religion will be more amicable, and schools and places of amusement will greatly benefit. Revenue in satisfactory state, trade will increase. Commercial matters will receive an impetus. Railway and postal matters will become prominent, and the amalgamation of some railway companies may be looked for. Legislation affecting the landed interests will be brought forward. Sickness in the land. Heavy storms and gales, shipping matters suffer.

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# Astronomical Phenomena

FOR DECEMBER 1908.

## The Moon's Phases.

First Quarter,	1st	...	2h. 16m. aft.
Full Moon,	8th	...	7h. 58m. morn.
Last Quarter,	15th	...	11h. 41m. aft.
New Moon,	23rd	...	9h. 53m. aft.
First Quarter,	30th	...	9h. 41m. aft.

## Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Scorpio until the 22nd; enters Sagittarius on that day at 4.35 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Scorpio on 1st, retrogrades into Libra and re-enters Scorpio on the 11th, a morning star for the rest of the month.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Virgo; enters Libra on 3rd, and Scorpio on 28th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Libra, enters Scorpio on 25th.
- ♃. JUPITER is a morning star in Virgo all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is an evening star in Aries all the month.
- ♅. URANUS is an evening star in Capricorn, but not well placed for observation.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is a morning star in Cancer, but not well placed for observation.
- ♁. The table below shows the days on which the Moon occupies the several signs of the Zodiac.

1, 2	Aquarius	17, 18	Virgo
3, 4	Pisces	19, 20, 21	Libra
5, 6	Aries	22, 23	Scorpio
7, 8	Taurus	24, 25	Sagittarius
9, 10, 11	Gemini	26, 27	Capricorn
12, 13	Cancer	28, 29	Aquarius
14, 15, 16	Leo	30	Pisces

## The Weather.

The month opens with fair weather—mild for season—changeable with fogs 6th, variable 10th, downfall 11th, finer during middle of month, changeable and windy to 24th, rain or snow and low temperature at end.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

## Astrological Notes.

SOME years ago the Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage delivered a Christmas sermon in which he touched upon a few of the significant facts attending the mission of the Wise Men into Bethlehem, and of the character of these Wise Men he said:

"The Wise Men of the East came to Christ. They were not fools, they were not imbeciles. The record distinctly says that the Wise Men came to Christ. We say they were the magi, or they were the alchemists, or they were the astrologers, and we say it with depreciating accentuation. Why, they were the most splendid and magnificent men of the century. They were the naturalists and the scientists. They knew all that was known. You must remember that astrology was the mother of astronomy, and that alchemy was the mother of chemistry. It was the life-long business of these astrologers to study the stars. Twenty-two hundred and fifty years before Christ was born the wise men knew the procession of the equinoxes, and they had calculated the orbits and the returns of the comets. We find in the book of Job that the men of the olden time did not suppose the world was flat, as some have said, but that he knew, and the men of his time knew, the world was globular. The pyramids were built for astrological and astronomical study. Then, the alchemists spent their lives in the study of metals and gases, and liquids and solids, and in filling the world's library with their wonderful discoveries. They were vastly wise men who came to the East. After the world has gone on studying hundreds of years it may come up to the point where the ancients began to forget."

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## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### III.—THE MYSTERY PLANET, URANUS.

**T**HE history of the planet Uranus forms one of the most pleasing episodes in the story of Astronomy. All the other planets were known from antiquity; they were conspicuous objects and the movements always attracted attention. But here we have a great planet whose existence was entirely unknown to the ancients and whose discovery was more or less accidental.

Sir William Herschell, whose name is revered in connection with astronomy, was one night—the 13th March, 1781—engaged in his usual task of examining the stars, when he observed an object in the constellation Gemini which his practised eye at once saw was different to every other star. It is necessary to explain that all stars when observed through a telescope appear as mere points of light, they do not show a disc. Planets show a disc larger or smaller according to the power of the telescope. Here he found an object which was different to the others. It was not a mere point of light, it had a minute, but distinctly recognisable disc.

Strange enough this self-same object had been seen before, indeed it had actually been measured no less than seventeen times before by Sir William himself. If not a star then, what could it be?

The only way in which this could be discovered was to observe it regularly night after night for some time. If it was a star it would remain in exactly the same relative position to the other stars. But no, night after night this object changed its position in regard to the other stars in its immediate neighbourhood. There was then no doubt that this body was a member of the Solar system.

At first Sir William thought it was a comet; he did not realise that he had made the marvellous discovery of a planet revolving outside the mighty Saturn. Many astronomers, however, took up the subject, and its path in the heavens was noted for some con-

siderable time. These were then placed in the hands of competent mathematicians, and the result was at length made known that the body was not a comet, but that it was a large planet revolving in a nearly circular path round the Sun, many millions of miles outside the path of Saturn. The importance of this discovery could hardly be estimated. Up to the time it was made, five planets had been known from ages untold, but here we have a new planet, larger than Venus, Mars, or our Earth, and only surpassed in size by the giants Jupiter and Saturn, and yet plunged into space so deep that notwithstanding its enormous size, it was barely visible to the unaided eye.

This great orb requires a period of 87 years and 7 days to revolve round the Sun, and is not less than eighteen hundred million miles from the Sun.

Uranus, as this planet was afterwards called, even with the largest telescopes of modern times, does not exhibit a very large disc. Its diameter is about 31,700 miles, or about four times as great as our Earth's diameter, and therefore 64 times as great as the mass of our Earth.

Like all the large planets, Uranus seems to be composed of such light materials that although it is 64 times as large as the Earth it is only 15 times as heavy. There is one thing about Uranus which is quite different to the rest of the planets. It is accompanied by a number of satellites or moons, so faint that even the best telescopes can hardly distinguish them. But these moons revolve in quite a different way to any others. Instead of moving from west to east as in the case of our own Moon, they revolve at almost right angles to the Equator; that is to say, they revolve from south to north nearly.

Fancy what it would be on our Earth, if the Moon were to rise in the north and set in the south. If you can imagine this, you will understand how the moons of Uranus appear to a person on that planet.

# How to Cast the Horoscope.\*

By GEORGE WILDE.

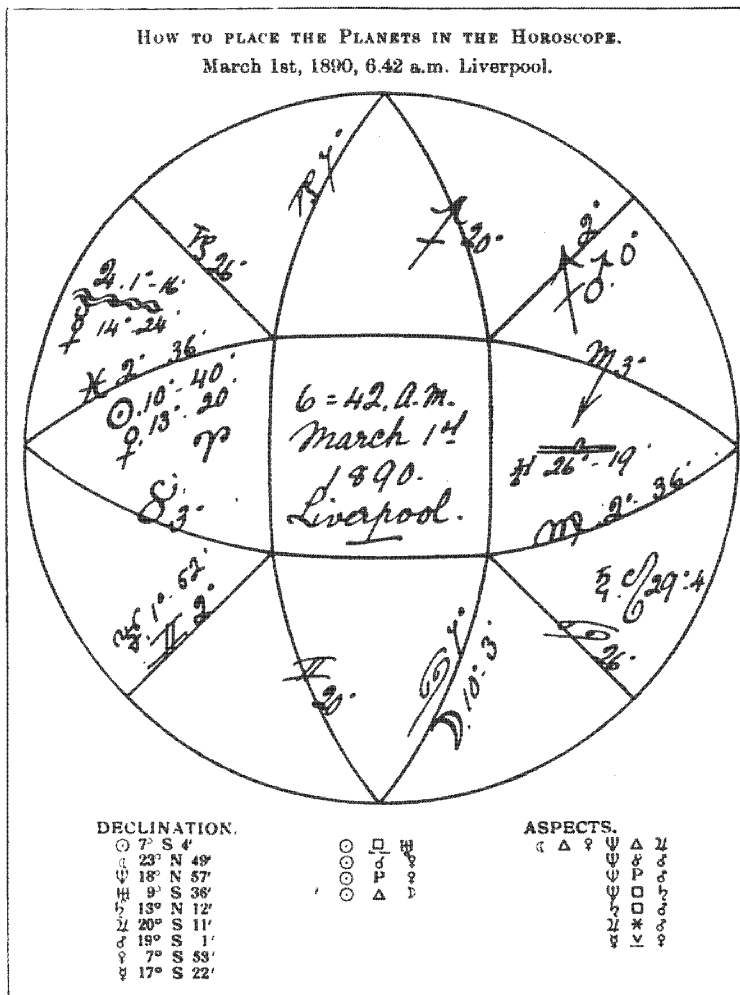
**B**EFORE proceeding further it will be as well to point out that the map given with the first instalment of this series indicates south at *top*, north at *bottom*, east on the *left-hand*, and west on the *right*. If these facts are borne in mind our remarks will be more intelligible. With this word of explanation we may go forward.

*Example II.*--Required a horoscope for March 1st, 1890, 6.42 a.m., Liverpool. Deduct the time which intervenes before noon, namely 5h. 18m. from the sidereal time at noon, which, on referring to the Ephemeris, we find to be 22h. 36m. 38s. This leaves 17h. 18m. as the sidereal time of birth. One minute must also be

deducted owing to the increase of sidereal time during the 5h. 18m. The student will find that the nearest time to 17h. 17m. in the Table of Houses for the latitude of Liverpool, is 17h. 16m. Opposite this time the

reader will find a column headed † 10 which means that † is on the cusp of the 10th house. The number of degrees, in this case 20, is also given. On the top of the next column we find † 11. This means that † has also been on the cusp of the 11th house, but before we come to the figure opposite to 17h. 16m. we find that ♄ has succeeded † and that ♄ 7 is now on the 11th cusp. The next column gives ♄ 26° for the cusp

the 12th, and the next × 2° 36' for the ascending degree or cusp of the 1st house. We also find that the 2nd house commences with 8 3° and the 3rd with



\*Mr. Wilde, the Author of "Natal Astrology," "Chaldean Astrology" and other works, has given us permission to reproduce his article, "How to Compute the Horoscope," which is Chapter III. in his "Primer of Astrology," published at 1/- by Foulsham & Co.

$\pi$   $2^\circ$ . We have now got the signs and degrees on the cusps of 6 out of the 12 houses, and these figures and signs should be inserted in the diagram as shown below. Now it follows that if  $\kappa$   $2^\circ 31'$  be the ascending degree, the corresponding degree of the opposite sign will be setting, and so on with the other houses, the same degree of the opposite sign being on the opposite cusp. The remaining cusps will, therefore, be for the 7th house  $\kappa$   $2^\circ 36'$ , 8th  $\mu$   $3^\circ$ , 9th  $\tau$   $2^\circ$ , 4th  $\pi$   $20^\circ$ , 5th  $\epsilon$   $7^\circ$ , 6th  $\epsilon$   $26^\circ$ . It will be seen that four signs are here intercepted,  $\omega$  in the 12th, its opposite sign  $\Omega$  in the 6th,  $\Upsilon$  in the 1st, and, therefore,  $\underline{\omega}$  in the 7th. This interception is produced in the North and South latitudes by the obliquity of the ecliptic. It is for the same reason that the signs are classified, as before named, into those of long and those of short ascension in our latitude; but in high Southern latitudes our signs of short ascension become signs of long ascension. Whenever any sign is on two cusps at the same time, two signs must be intercepted in other parts of the figure.

We now find the positions of the planets and mark them in their proper places in the figure. The student will observe that in progressing through the zodiacal figure the planets move in the opposite direction to the hands of a clock, as from  $\Upsilon$  to  $\delta$ , etc., except when they are retrograde (R) which can be seen from the Ephemeris. There are times, too, when some of them are stationary. The motion of most of them varies from time to time, but their exact longitude and declination may be easily calculated by simple proportion. Most Ephemerides give their exact longitude every day at noon, and the declination for each alternate day. On referring to the Ephemeris we find that at noon on March 1st, 1890, the Moon was in the  $12^\circ 39'$   $\epsilon$  and at noon of the 2nd March, in  $24^\circ 26'$   $\epsilon$ . Her motion was thus at the rate of  $11^\circ 47'$  per day at that time; hence her motion during the 5h. 18m. before noon, viz.,  $2^\circ 36'$  must be deducted from her longitude at noon on the 1st March, which leaves  $10^\circ 3'$   $\epsilon$  as the Moon's position at birth. The  $\delta$  is then inserted in the proper sign and

the degree of the diagram as shown, and the other planets are dealt with in like manner. The Sun's motion is nearly  $1'$  a day, the  $360^\circ$  of the zodiac being traversed in the 365 days odd of the solar year. This is about  $13'$  from the Sun's longitude at noon.  $\text{♄}$  and  $\text{♅}$ , as signified by (R), are retrograde. The motion of  $\text{♄}$ ,  $\text{♅}$ ,  $\text{♅}$ , and  $\text{♄}$  are very slow, being only a few minutes a day.

*Example I.*—Wanted the longitude of  $\delta$  on March 1st, 1890, at 6.42 a.m.

$\delta$ 's long. noon of March 1st	...	$12^\circ$	$\epsilon$ 39'
" February 28th	...	0	" 52'
$\delta$ 's motion in 24 hours	...	$11^\circ$	" 47'
The proportional logarithm of $11^\circ 47'$ is			3089
" " $5^\circ 18'$ is			6559
			<hr/> 9648

The nearest prop. log. to 9648 is 9652, which =  $2^\circ 36'$ , which must be deducted from the  $\delta$ 's long. at noon of March 1st.

At noon March 1st, the Moon's

long. was	...	$12^\circ$	$\epsilon$ 39'
		2	" 36'

The Moon's long. at 6.42 a.m.  $10^\circ$  " 3'

The rule being, add the long. for p.m. and subtract it for a.m., unless planets are retrograde, then subtract for p.m. and add for a.m.

*Example II.*—Wanted the long of  $\delta$  at 6.20 p.m., March 1st, 1890.

$\delta$ 's long. March 2nd	...	$15^\circ$	$\omega$ 54'
" " 1st	...	$14^\circ$	" 40'
$\delta$ 's motion in 24 hours	...	$1^\circ$	" 14'
Prop. log. of $1^\circ 14'$	...		1,2891
" $6^\circ 20'$	...		5786
			<hr/> 1,8677

The nearest prop. log. of 1,8677, is 1,8573 which = 20 minutes, and this amount must be added to

14 $\omega$ 40	$\delta$ 's long. noon, March 1st.
20	

15 " 0  $\delta$ 's long. 6.20 p.m.

The variation of time in different places depends upon their longitude. For every degree east of Greenwich the time is 4 minutes earlier than at Greenwich, and for every degree west, 4 minutes later.

# An Astrological Guide to Health, Success and Happiness

## CHAPTER III.

### SIMPLE RULES FOR JUDGING HEALTH.

As stated in the last chapter, the three chief points which have rule over health and disease, are the Ascendant, Sun and Moon, and according to whatever sign these three points fall in so will disease affect the parts of the body ruled by such signs.

The following diagram is given to show the zodiacal influences on the various parts of the body.



Ram, Aries, the head; Bull, Taurus, neck; Twins, Gemini, arms; Crab, Cancer, breast; Lion, Leo, heart; Virgin, Virgo, bowels; Balance, Libra, reins; Scorpion, Scorpio, loins; Archer, Sagittarius, thighs; Goat, Capricornus, knee; Waterman, Aquarius, legs; Fishes, Pisces, the feet.

The following are the diseases signified by the twelve signs and some hygienic remedies for them.

**Aries.**—Headache, head, stomach and kidney complaints, epilepsy, small-pox, apoplexy, disorders of the hair, eyes and teeth.

Plenty of rest and sleep, healthy exercise, and avoidance of worry, mental excitement and over study will be beneficial.

**Taurus.**—Throat and neck are sensitive parts, giving rise to tonsillitis, quinsy, croup, etc. The heart is also affected, also the bladder. Temperance in diet, careful eating, and avoidance of haste or flurry, together with plenty of exercise is an essential. This sign often conduces to obesity in old age.

**Gemini.**—Lungs, arms and hands are weak parts, blood and nervous disorders likely, consumption, bronchial disorders, accidents to arms, shoulders, etc. All excesses should be avoided, overwork, or mental strain, the blood kept pure, and the respiratory organs kept in good condition.

**Cancer.**—Stomach and digestive system are weak parts; affections of the chest, stomach; gastritis, asthma, dropsy, etc. The essential thing is pure, well-cooked food, care to avoid colds and chills, and avoidance of all food that gives rise to fermentation or flatulency.

**Leo.**—Heart and back weak organs. Chief complaints those affecting the heart; palpitation, small-pox, jaundice, pleurisy. Temperate living, moderation in eating and drinking, keeping the blood pure and the system in harmony and balance will do much for these complaints.

**Virgo.**—Bowels and abdomen weak parts; complaints are those affecting these organs: wind, colic, obstructions, constipation, dysentery, eczema. Regular habits, good food, and an avoidance of drugs will do much good. A quiet harmonious mind is also an essential where this sign is strong.

**Libra.**—Reins and kidneys weak parts. Chief complaints are kidney disorders, bladder affections, atrophy, blood and skin diseases, etc. Plenty of fresh air and mild exercise are essentials, and a well balanced mind.

**Scorpio.**—Urinary and excretory organs weak parts. Chief complaints, ruptures,

fistula, piles, infectious complaints, and all affections of the generative system. All heating and intoxicating foods should be avoided, sanitary arrangements carefully looked after, and extreme temperance observed in all things.

*Sagittarius*.—Thighs and blood weak parts. Chief complaints, tumours, sciatica, gout, danger of cuts, hurts and accidents, especially in sport or from animals. Blood circulation and nervous system should be attended to, muscle forming foods eaten, and stimulants avoided.

*Capricorn*.—Knees and bowels weak parts. Chief disorders, cold and lingering complaints, rheumatism, constipation, skin disorders, accidents to the knees. A stimulating diet is required, warm clothing, and an avoidance of melancholia and depression.

*Aquarius*.—Eyes, lungs, kidneys, ankles and blood weak parts. Chief disorders affect these organs, also spasmodic and nervous disorders, rheumatism and complaints arising from disordered blood. A brain and nerve sustaining diet is required, and the blood kept pure.

*Pisces*.—Feet, lungs, digestive system and bowels are weak parts. Chief complaints, gout, lameness, dropsy, blood disorders, infectious and contagious diseases. Too much importance cannot be placed on diet, especially in the use of intoxicants. Abstinence is the best means of eradicating diseases under this sign.

We have now the ground work for judging health and disease in every horoscope, and the following simple rules will enable anyone to judge their own horoscope in regard to this subject.

1. *Rising Sign*.—Whatever sign is rising will give disorders affecting the part of the body governed by such sign.

2. *Sun's Position*.—Whatever sign the Sun is placed in should be noted, as this will affect the part of the body ruled by such sign, and denotes disorders affecting such parts, but they will be more severe, internal, and will deplete the vital forces and the constitution. If the Sun is much afflicted the diseases will be more pronounced.

3. *Moon's Position*.—The position of the

Moon should be noted, and the parts of the body ruled by this position will be affected, but these will be functional disorders, irregularities of the various organs, and periodical complaints.

4. *Sixth House*.—Whatever sign is on the cusp of this house will show the seat or origin of the disease. Planets in this house will give certain diseases according to the sign. These again will be periodic, and will be more pronounced when the Moon by progress is passing this house, or forms evil aspects with planets therein, or to the planets ruling the sixth house. Another point should be noticed. The evil aspects of planets which fall in the sixth house should be tabulated, for when the Moon is passing through this house complaints will be experienced when these evil aspects are reached in accordance with the planet and the sign in which it is placed.

5. *Malefic Planets*.—The signs held by Mars and Saturn should be noted, especially when afflicting the Sun, Moon, or Ascendant, for the parts of the body ruled by these signs are sure to be more or less affected.

6. *Eighth House*.—Planets in this house should be noted, for the disease which frequently produces death is denoted by this position.

These are the chief rules for judging health and disease. It is not difficult to judge the subject, and with the horoscope in hand, any of my readers should be able to form a good idea of the various disorders they are liable to, and by the simple hygienic rules given may be able to mitigate many disorders.

At the same time it is not supposed that these six rules take in the entire subject. I am aiming at simplicity in these articles, and could, if necessary, considerably extend the subject and go much deeper into all the various influences. What I have given is sufficient for the purpose I have in view.

In the next chapter I will give an example from a horoscope, and show how these rules may be applied. E. H. BAILEY.

(To be Continued.)

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# Time Cycles.

By ASTROLABUS.

**I**T is a very peculiar thing, to say the least of it, that certain numbers intimately connected with astronomical science should be found also connected with history. A man named Daniel Reid, wrote in the year 1874, a book called the "Law of History," in which he shows some curious parallels arrived at by the use of numbers. On reading this book I was greatly taken by the fact that the numbers arrived at are undoubtedly astronomical periods. Of this the writer of the book did not seem to be aware, as it is not mentioned therein, and if he had noticed it he could hardly have failed to avail himself of it for the purpose of strengthening his argument, which is connected with the Biblical Prophecies (those of Daniel and the Revelation of St. John.)

I will now call my readers' attention to one or two of these periods and I doubt not but they will be as interested in reading about them as I have been in tracing them out.

First, then, let us speak about the planet Mercury. It is, of course, known to us that Mercury is the closest to the Sun of all the planets; also that on certain occasions he passes over the Sun's disc and is then visible as a small black dot on the brilliant surface of the Sun.

This phenomenon, called a transit, occurs at certain intervals and well-defined periods. I will not go into the technical explanation of how to determine whether a transit will occur at a given date of conjunction or not, as it would only occupy space and would not be interesting to all my readers. Those who wish to know about this matter can find full details in either Vince's or Whiting's Astronomy.

It will be sufficient for my purpose if I state that 46 Solar years after any given Transit of Mercury, the phenomenon is nearly always repeated, and is of the same character. I will give just a few examples.

Transit 12th November, 1861, Sun's motion per diem 60'-25", occurred in Scorpio 19°-54'.

Transit 14th November, 1907, Sun's motion per diem 60'-24", occurred in Scorpio 21°-0'.

Transit 5th May, 1832, Sun's motion per diem 58'-2", occurred in Taurus 14°-57'.

Transit 6th May, 1878, Sun's motion per diem 58'-2", occurred in Taurus 16°-3'.

Transit 9th November, 1848, Sun's motion per diem 60'-21", occurred in Scorpio 17°-18'.

Transit 10th November, 1894, Sun's motion per diem 60'-21", occurred in Scorpio 18°-24'.

I could give more, but I think these will be enough for my purpose at present. I should like to draw attention to the fact that the transit recurs at a time when the Sun is moving at the same rate. The calendar varies by reason of leap years, but the Sun always moves at a certain rate per day (apparently) at corresponding parts of the orbit of the earth. So that I think I have now shown that the period is exactly 46 Solar years. Transits also come out at in-

tervals of 13 and 33 years, but these two added together make 46.

Twenty times 46 are 920. The birth of Isaac in the year 1896, B.C., was the beginning of the fulfilment of the promise given to Abraham. The termination of the united kingdom of Israel was in the year 976, B.C., and marked an important period in the history of the Hebrews. The time elapsed was exactly 920 years.

The last of the two kingdoms into which Israel was divided came to an end in 606, B.C., and the same year saw the commencement of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar. The visible union of the Roman Empire with Christianity was effected by Constantine in the year 411. 314. Time elapsed 920 years. First year of the ascendant dominion of the Roman republic was B.C. 146. Add 146 to A.D. 314, or the date of above noted event and we get 460 which is ten times Mercury's transit period of 46 years.

2300 is exactly 50 times 46 and Daniel's period of 2300 days representing 2300 years by the astrological time measure of a day for a year, began with the going forth of the commandment to rebuild and restore Jerusalem in the year 445, B.C. 2300 years after that brings us to 1856, A.D., early in the year (27th April, 1856,) on which day further religious toleration was granted to the Jew and the Christian in the land of the Turk, but more particularly in Palestine. This was by the Crimean War Peace Treaty.

29 years nearly is the period between two similar conjunctions of Saturn with the Sun. Nine times 29 comes to 261.

In 1066, A.D., occurred the Norman Conquest. Add 261 years and in 1327, A.D., the English Parliament had acquired enough power to be able to depose the reigning king. Add 261 to 1327 and in 1588, A.D., England disposed of the Spanish Armada. Thus, in the first cycle fighting against despotism and in the next against religious tyranny.

To 1588 add 261 again and it brings us to 1849, really to 1848-1849, because of the inexactness alluded to above (which had grown by the multiplication of the period of 261 years or rather 29 years).

In 1848-9, England alone of the great powers of Europe passed scatheless and unshaken through this year of revolution, the year of the cycle of Saturn.

A great deal more could be said concerning these periods and cycles. The periods given by Daniel and St. John are astronomical in their character and origin, and it is very interesting to trace out the events in history by their aid.

We ourselves are living in troublous times and there are some people who think that the longed-for golden age is not far away.

The seven times of Daniel given for Gentile and Human dominion as shown in the wonderful image whose presages as given by Daniel have been fulfilled so marvellously during two thousand years, must be nearly at an end. In explanation let me say that a time among the Hebrews was a year of 360

days, and seven such times would amount to 2,520 days. But as I have suggested in the foregoing paragraphs, in the astrological time measure a day stands for a year.

Therefore the period of seven times gives us 2,520 years. And the dominion alluded to above commenced in the year 606, B.C., with the reign of Nebuchadnezzar.

Now 2,520 years from this brings us to 1914, A.D., when some great political events will most assuredly happen.

It is ridiculous to talk about the end of the world, but it is not ridiculous to talk about the end of the age or epoch. And surely the ending of this age of greed, selfishness and Mammon rule, is a thing to be desired. The ending of a ridiculous mockery of humanity which holds all wealth and power in its hands and says although there are starving and naked and shivering people about, yet there is over-production, and therefore these same starving, naked, and shivering human beings cannot be employed by this godless Mammon of Unrighteousness—the Money Power of the world which makes merchandise of the bodies and souls of men and women.

Even Victor Grayson feels that "he is not living in an ordinary time" as he said in a speech on the 25th October, at Bradford. No! He is *not* living in an ordinary time, nor are we. But, his socialism is all wrong. It is destined to fail, and, perhaps, to drag down in its failure to death and destruction all those who follow such an ideal. The leading principle of the blatant socialism of the day consists in an appeal to the individual selfishness. That is, each man is asked to become a socialist because it would make things better for *him*. In the real or genuine socialism of Jesus of Nazareth, an appeal is made to the man to think of *others*. In other words Unselfishness or Altruism is the basis. Hence the latter is destined to succeed; and who knows, but that the political events which will be the outcome of the ending of certain very remarkable time cycles will be the recognition of this principle and its exaltation to a position of guiding force in practical politics. In this connection, an article by Harold Begbie on "What is the soul?" in the *Daily Chronicle*, of October 27th, has an especial force. MAY THESE THINGS BE.

### If I Can Live.

If I can live

To make some pale face brighten and to give

A second lustre to some tear-dimmed eye,

Or e'en impart

One throb of comfort to an aching heart,

Or cheer some way-worn soul in passing by;

If I can lend

A strong hand to the fallen, or defend

The right against a single envious strain,

My life, though bare

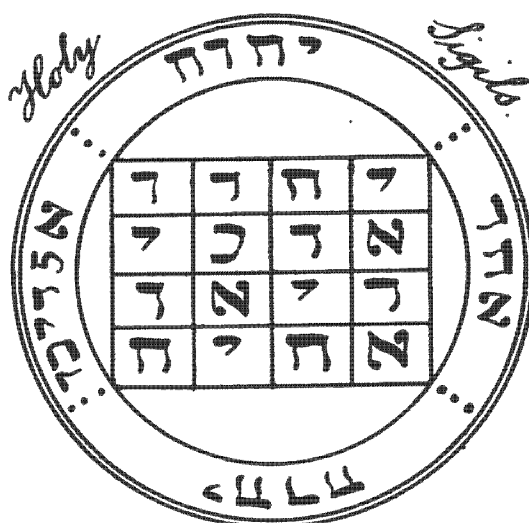
Perhaps of much that seemeth dear and fair,

To us on earth, will not have been in vain.

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### THE HOLY SIGILS.



FRONT OF TALISMAN.



BACK OF TALISMAN.

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# Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

DECEMBER, 1908.

1	16 ✕ 46	A doubtful day ; travel in morning, but avoid pleasure, company, and opposite sex. Attend to important matters in the evening.
2	0 ♀ 56	Attend to business and correspondence before noon. The rest of the day is evil for all purposes.
3	15 3	This is an evil day for all purposes ; act discreetly in all matters and avoid giving offence to others.
4	29 4	The afternoon is good for important matters, social affairs ; but act discreetly all day, especially in the forenoon.
5	12 8 56	The morning is unfavourable ; afternoon, travel, remove, deal with strangers, antiquarians, but avoid disputes and quarrels.
6	26 37	An unfavourable day for all purposes ; pay attention to matters which will call for wise judgment later on.
7	10 II 3	Another unfavourable day. Act discreetly in dealings with others, and begin no new undertakings.
8	23 14	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary affairs, avoid correspondence and cultivate the habit of cheerfulness.
9	6 ☿ 7	The morning is doubtful ; afternoon and evening attend to new works, push business and affairs.
10	18 44	A doubtful day. Do nothing important, but make this an opportunity to do little things well.
11	1 ♀ 6	Another doubtful day. The afternoon is good for business, correspondence and dealings with elderly people.
12	13 14	Attend to business and correspondence in midday ; but act discreetly and avoid disputes with others.
13	25 13	A better day ; deal with superiors, seek employment, push business and in the evening entertain, and attend social affairs.
14	7 ♀ 7	A quiet day—but avoid disputes. In the evening push affairs, attend to new work and enterprises.
15	18 59	Travel, remove, attend to important matters, but be careful in speech and correspondence and in dealings with superiors.
16	0 ♄ 54	An evil day for all purposes ; avoid disputes and safeguard the health, especially be careful of chills.
17	12 ♄ 58	An unfavourable day for all purposes. Be careful of all such as are not well disposed toward thee.
18	25 14	Attend to correspondence, business, push affairs and ask favours. Attend to important matters and social duties.
19	7 ♀ 47	A quiet day. Good for housewives, electricians, astrologers, inventors, and men of ideas generally.
20	20 39	A doubtful day. Conflicting influences render the day unfavourable. Avoid disputes and quarrels.
21	3 † 53	A good day for pleasure, social affairs, and in the evening for dealing with elderly people.
22	17 28	A quiet day—do nothing important. Avoid quarrels, but being in them learn to act discreetly.
23	1 ♀ 24	A doubtful day ; avoid all important matters and keep quiet. In the evening send congratulations to friends.
24	15 36	Attend to business and important matters before noon. After 5 p.m. see to new works, business, etc.
25	29 59	<i>Christmas Day.</i> Of thine abundance give to him that needeth. Forget not the poor.
26	14 ☿ 30	An evil day. Take care lest thou take to thyself friends who will bring thee grief.
27	29 1	Attend to business affairs in the evening ; ask favours and deal with superiors. A good day for all purposes.
28	13 ✕ 28	Attend to correspondence and business before noon ; travel and deal with antiquarians in the evening.
29	27 46	Attend to important matters in the afternoon, safeguard the health at night, but be careful in the forenoon.
30	11 ♀ 52	An evil day for all purposes. Make no new ventures, lay no plans for the future, and act discreetly in all matters.
31	25 46	Attend to ordinary duties, and consider whether the habits of the Old Year could not be improved in the New.

# Birthday Influences during December.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, △ ♄, \* ♄, 8 ♄. A changeable year, some benefits and changes, but trouble through the opposite sex, and loss of money; females should be careful of honour. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, be original and clever, but liable to get into disgrace through the opposite sex. If a female will suffer in marriage.

2. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♊, 6 ♄, △ ♄. An unfavourable birthday, some changes, but danger of illhealth and much trouble. A child born on this day will be quick, clever and intelligent, but its health will suffer, and be a great drawback to success.

3. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♊, △ ☉, □ ♄, □ ♄. A changeable year, illhealth, unfavourable changes, domestic trouble, but gain through superiors and in employment. A child born on this day will be wayward and erratic, will do best in the employ of others, and should never entertain important affairs on his own responsibility.

4. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♊, par. ♄, □ ☉. A quiet year, some little worries and annoyances, and some slight benefits through others. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, will make a fair amount of progress, and be generally successful.

5. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, \* ♄, △ ♄, △ ♄, 8 ♄, 8 ♄. A contradictory year, trouble through the other sex, danger of law and disputes, many social and financial benefits, some journeys and a fair amount of success. A child born on this day will rise in life, and gain popularity and success, but should be careful in dealings with the other sex, in financial matters, and should beware of law.

6. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, △ ♄, ☉ □ ♄. An evil year, danger of financial losses, indisposition and domestic troubles. A child born on this day will have many troubles in life, be extravagant and indiscreet in money matters, and have trouble through law.

7. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, 8 ☉, ♄, \* ♄, □ ♄. An unfavourable year, many changes, losses, trouble and anxiety, worry through letters and correspondence. A child born on this day will be extravagant and impulsive, will be in trouble in money matters, and incur loss of honour, and trouble through superiors; he should always remain in employment.

8. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, □ ♄, & ♄. A disquieting year, many little ups and downs and mutations of fortune; some benefits through superiors, but on the whole unfavourable. A child born on this day will have many ups and downs in life, changes and alterations but will gain in employment and through superiors.

9. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋, □ ♄, △ ♄. A better birthday, new work and undertakings, changes and promotion, but some danger of illhealth and domestic troubles. A child born on this day will be quick, intelligent, active and enterprising, his health will be a drawback at times, but he will gain in employment.

10. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, 6 ♄, 8 ♄, \* ♄, △ ♄. A changeable year, much unsettlement, unfavourable changes in affairs, but some social and financial gain, and help from friends. A child born on this day will be wayward, erratic and fanciful, will have many troubles and trials to face, but will have help and assistance from friends.

11. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, △ ♄. A changeable birthday, gain in employment, benefits through superiors and elders, but many troubles, anxiety and worry. A child born on this day will benefit in employ and through superiors and elders, but will have much trouble to face and many trials to contend with.

12. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, □ ♄ & ♄, △ ♄. An evil anniversary, danger of law, quarrels and indisposition, also trouble through the other sex; some beneficial changes. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, impulsive, of bad judgment, will have trouble through law and quarrels, and the opposite sex.

13. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, △ ☉. A good year, benefits in employment, important changes, promotion or new work, and both social and financial benefits. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, gain through superiors and employment, and have successes in dealings with the other sex.

14. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♋, \* ♄. A variable year, new work or promotion, but danger of disputes and law. A child born on this day will be active, enterprising, but rash and impulsive, will rise in life, but should guard against losses by litigation.

15. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♋, □ ☉, \* ♄, △ ♄, 6 ♄, \* ♄, □ ♄. A generally successful year, social and financial benefits, changes, gain through others, but some danger of scandal and loss of repute; marriage or love affairs successful. A child born on this day will rise in life, and gain popularity and will be very successful, will be liable to scandal or ill-repute, and should be careful in dealing with superiors.

16. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♋. An evil year, danger of illhealth, accident and bereavement. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle through life and its health will be a great drawback.

17. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♈, ☿, ☿. An unsuccessful year, indisposition, worry and changes, trouble in domestic affairs and through elders. A child born on this day will be wayward and wilful, enterprising, and active, but will not make much success in life.

18. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♈, ♀, ♀. A favourable year, social and financial gain, benefits in business and through superiors. A child born on this day will be successful, clever and popular, and will rise in life through others, and gain much through superiors and employment.

19. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, ♄, ♄. A quiet year on the whole, some new works and undertakings likely. A child born on this day will be clever and inventive, and have skill in science or electricity.

20. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿, ♄, ♄. A doubtful year, some gains and success, but danger of accidents, disputes, law, and indisposition. A child born on this day will be active and enterprising, but rash and impulsive, and through this will meet with many misfortunes.

21. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿. A successful year, new responsibilities, gain and promotion, social and financial benefits. A child born on this day will be serious, grave and competent to undertake responsibilities. He should rise in life and be fairly successful.

22. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿. A quiet year on the whole, some financial losses, and increased expense. A child born on this day will be extravagant, rather erratic in mind, and will have a rather quiet life.

23. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿, ☿. A troublesome year, with many changes, much worry and annoyance, illhealth and probably bereavement. A child born on this day will be refined and artistic, but the chill winds of adversity will blow keenly upon him, and he will have a hard struggle through life.

24. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿, ☿. A doubtful year, improvement of position, new work and undertakings, financial gain, but awkward changes, and much trouble and opposition to contend against. A child born on this day will be clever, energetic, but wayward and wilful; he will rise in life and gain approval, but will spoil his chances by erratic behaviour.

25. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♏, ♀, ♀, ♀. A doubtful birthday, illhealth, bereavement and many troubles and trials, gain through friends and elderly people, and some social and financial success. A child born on this day will have a struggle through life, but will gain through friends, and employers, and should always remain in the employ of others.

26. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, ♄, ♄. A changeable year, danger of disputes and quarrels, domestic troubles and indisposition; some financial gains. A child born on this day will be

rash and hasty, often in trouble, and should never undertake work on own shoulders, but be content in an inferior position.

27. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿. A variable year, danger of accidents or disputes, also litigation, gain through superiors and in employment. A child born on this day will be rash, impetuous, and wayward, but will benefit through employment and through friends.

28. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿, ☿. A changeable anniversary, trouble and grief through other sex, benefits in employment, financial loss, or increased expenses, and some favourable changes. A child born on this day will be clever, original and inventive, will suffer through the other sex, and be rather extravagant and impulsive in money matters.

29. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿. A successful year generally, gain and success financially, new work and enterprises, but danger of illhealth or bereavement. A child born on this day will rise in life, and be fairly successful, but his health will be a great drawback to progress.

30. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿, ☿. An unfavourable year, much trouble, many ups and downs and mutations of fortune, adverse changes, but benefits through friends. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle through life, many ups and downs, but will gain through friends and acquaintances.

31. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, ☿, ☿, ☿. A successful year generally, social and financial gain, improvement of position and some benefits in general affairs of life. A child born on this day will be clever, of good judgment and business ability, and should have a successful career in life.

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## Horoscopes of Notable Men.

II.—H. RIDER HAGGARD.

**T**HE distinguished and talented novelist, whose horoscope is given on this page, was born at ten minutes past five in the morning of the 22nd July, 1856.

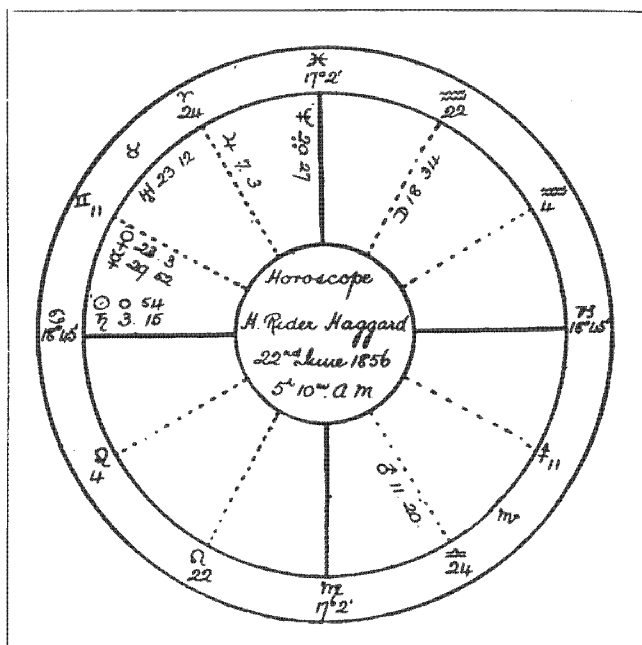
The sign Cancer was rising, and all the planets except Mars were above the earth, seven of them in the oriental quadrant of the map. The Sun was conjoined with Saturn and in parallel with Venus. The Moon was in Aquarius on the cusp of the ninth house in square to Uranus, and trine to Venus. Mercury was retrograde in Gemini in the twelfth house in conjunction with Venus, and parallel with the Moon. Neptune is close to the meridian in Pisces. Cancer rising gives a reserved and imaginative disposition, much prudence and caution, and great powers of tenacity and adaptation. The character shows

similar traits; economy and persistence, and tenacity, being strongly shown. The personality is refined, humanitarian, sociable and independent, with mystical or occult proclivities. The lunar position in the ninth house points to success in foreign lands and in travel.

The mental powers are good, and the aspects of Mercury to Venus and the Moon, give him splendid literary abilities, poetic

imagination, and as the planets Mercury and Venus are rising before the Sun, they show the literary profession taken up by our subject. The position of Neptune is not without note in this important horoscope. The sign Pisces has long been associated with literary work, and it is a known fact that many distinguished writers have this sign rising or culminating. Neptune in this sign and in the midheaven, well accords with

our subject's career as a novelist, and it is from this position that the weird, mystical and uncanny scenes in his works are derived. Jupiter in the tenth house will bring popularity and success and the favour of people in high positions. We will now take a brief glance at the directions operating in the near future. The Sun is close to the sextile of Venus, while



Mercury and Venus are both conjoined and in sextile to the Sun in 1911. This good influence is, however, counteracted by the Sun's square to Uranus, which will act very forcibly in the summer of 1911, when the Moon meets the opposition of the Sun and square of Uranus. Some important literary successes are shown in the very near future, and also in 1916-17 when the Sun is in sextile to Mercury. By primary direction

the Ascendant conj. Uranus, Zod. con. is now close at hand, which is very unfavourable. The horoscope, generally speaking, is a for-

tunate one, for with seven planets rising and Jupiter in the midheaven, success beyond the sphere of birth may be confidently predicted.

## An Evening with a Spiritualist.

By A. R. OSSITER.

**A**MONGST my friends and acquaintances, and for that matter in business circles, too, I am considered as a very level-headed individual—neither of that enthusiastic temperament which too frequently lands its possessor in awkward situations, nor of that callous school which nothing short of earthquakes can arouse; consequently everything that is interesting interests me. You will quite understand, then, that I was very happy, a few evenings ago, to accept an invitation to attend a Spiritualistic Seance at the residence of the well-known South London Medium Mr. Shell, especially as the company included my friends Mr., Mrs. and Miss C.; Mr. K.; Mr. and Mrs. T.; Mr. A.; and Mr. P.—a circle accustomed for many years to sit together at such manifestations.

This being my first attendance at a seance I must confess to a feeling of nervous anticipation. There is something so uncanny in the reports of these supernatural appearances that one both shrinks from and is drawn to such an investigation. I must admit, too, that I had hitherto suspected these appearances to be in the nature of delusions or overwrought votaries. Consequently my attitude towards what I might see or hear was, to say the least, a doubtful one. So if I just set down the matters as they occurred, and withhold my judgment, you will be quite free to form an opinion as to the reality of these things.

Having then, arrived at the residence of Mr. Shell we were ushered into a room and left together in conversation for, perhaps, half an hour, by which time we had become accustomed to each other. At the end of that time we proceeded to a small room, empty—except for a few small chairs and a

round table—and introduced to the Medium. On the table were a musical box weighing about 48 lbs., a zither, a trumpet, and a phosphorescent slate. Round these we sat in darkness, linked in a circle by the little fingers of each hand, and talked and sang hymns until the spirit of Joe Grimaldi, a circus clown, began to converse with us. By this time the Medium was in a dead trance and to all appearance utterly oblivious of our presence, his spirit having left the body to commune with others of the spirit world, and in this state he remained until at the request of "Joey," the aforesaid spirit, the seance was ended.

In the meantime Cardinal Newman appeared, vaguely, behind a beautifully jewelled cross, and, coming round to each one, pronounced a benediction, while a chorister sang a beautiful Latin dirge as only spirits can sing. At this point the musical box, having been started by the spirit "Christopher," was lifted bodily from the table to the side of the room, where it continued to play at intervals during the evening.

The next appearance was that of John King, a spirit who left this earth 300 years ago. He specially picked me out from the rest as being a novice and an unbeliever and asked me to stand up in order that I might get nearer to him. Having complied with his wish I advanced to within a few inches of his face, looked at him first from one point then from another until I was quite satisfied he was not encumbered with a human body, at which point he dematerialised saying "God bless you" as he vanished.

The spirit "Ebenezer" now took up the zither and played the tune "Drink to me only with thine eyes"; to his accompaniment of which we all sang, while he caused the

instrument to float about the room, at first slowly, and then with great rapidity, flashing it first to one corner of the room then to another until the room seemed filled with zithers. To satisfy my curiosity he rested it on my forehead and still played on without interruption until, finally, he disappeared, dashing the instrument to the ceiling and allowing it to fall heavily on the table.

During the evening many friends and relations appeared to the circle, speaking audibly to them: but one remarkable case, which went a long way toward convincing me of the truth of spiritualism, was that of a spirit appearing to Mr. Turner, whom he at once recognised by the reply to his salutation, "Is that you, Harry?" For the answer at once came with playful banter, "Dust Hoy! Dust Hoy! Dust Hoy!" I afterwards elicited the fact that Harry in his lifetime was a Lambeth dustman and that this was his first materialisation.

Many other remarkable things were witnessed during the evening, which may form the subject of a future article, but should any reader wish for confirmation of the foregoing I am privileged to refer them to Mr. Turner, of 61, Newington Butts, S.E., who will gladly furnish particulars on request.

## The Way to Wealth.

From "Poor Richard's Almanack" for 1758.

**I**N the year 1733 Benjamin Franklin began the publication of an almanac which professed to have been compiled by one Richard Saunders—a creation of the author's imagination, whom he called for short "Poor Richard." Under this disguise the famous Philadelphian prepared each year a mass of selected material, bits of verse, condensed essays, jokes, and good old saws.

The success of "Poor Richard's Almanac" was great and speedy. Its sale averaged at least ten thousand copies every year. Franklin continued it until 1758, when he turned the enterprise over to his partner. In the last number which he prepared himself, he wrote a sort of narrative with the express purpose of collecting in one place the maxims and proverbs which had been printed in the preceding issues. This narrative is given here, and it remains a sort of classic for its homely wisdom conveyed in a simple flowing style.

"Courteous reader, I have heard that nothing gives

an author so great pleasure as to find his works respectfully quoted by others. Judge, then, how much I must have been gratified by an incident I am going to relate to you. I stopped my horse lately where a great number of people were collected at an auction of merchants' goods. The hour of sale not being come, they were conversing on the badness of the times; and one of the company called to a plain, clean, old man, with white locks:

'Pray, Father Abraham, what think you of the times? Will not these heavy taxes quite ruin the country? How shall we ever be able to pay them? What would you advise us to do?'

Father Abraham stood up and replied:

'If you have my advice, I will give it to you in short, for "A word to the wise is enough," as Poor Richard says.'

They joined in desiring him to speak his mind, and, gathering round him, he proceeded as follows:

'Friends,' said he, 'the taxes are indeed very heavy, and if those laid on by the government were the only ones we had to pay, we might more easily discharge them, but we have many others and much more grievous to some of us. We are taxed twice as much by our idleness, three times as much by our pride, and four times as much by our folly, and from these taxes the commissioners cannot ease or deliver us by allowing an abatement. However, let us hearken to good advice and something may be done for us; "God helps them that help themselves," as Poor Richard says.'

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"It would be thought a hard government that should tax its people one-tenth part of their time, to be employed in its service, but idleness taxes many of us much more; sloth, by bringing on diseases, absolutely shortens life. 'Sloth, like rust, consumes faster than labor wears, while the used key is always bright,' as Poor Richard says. 'But dost thou love life, then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of,' as Poor Richard says. How much more than is necessary do we spend in sleep, forgetting that 'The sleeping fox catches no poultry,' and that 'There will be sleeping enough in the grave,' as Poor Richard says.

"If time be of all things the most precious, wasting time must be,' as Poor Richard says, 'the greatest prodigality,' since, as he elsewhere tells us, 'Lost time is never found again, and what we call time enough always proves little enough.' Let us then up and be doing, and doing to the purpose; so by diligence shall we do more with less perplexity. 'Sloth makes all things difficult, but industry all things easy' and 'He that riseth late must trot all day, and shall scarce overtake his business at night;' while 'Laziness travels so slowly that Poverty soon overtakes him. Drive thy business, let not that drive thee;' and 'Early to bed and early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise,' as Poor Richard says.

(To be Continued.)

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# The Brotherhood of the Rosy Cross.

**I**N our issue for November we gave a brief article on the Ancient Rosicrucians, which we are now glad to supplement by a few excerpts from Hargrave Jennings' wonderful book, "The Rosicrucians: Their Rites and Mysteries." The quotations we offer bear particular relation to the teaching of the Brotherhood on such matters as the Creation, alchemy, music, etc., but the book itself opens up a field for limitless enquiry and research into such sciences as religion, theosophy, magic (not of the catch-penny kind), spiritualism, astrology, and so on, together with the rites practised by the Rosicrucians: subjects which are illustrated by some three hundred engravings and supplemented by a dozen full-page plates. First as to the fact of the Creation.

"The Rosicrucians, through the revelations concerning them of their celebrated English representative, Robertus de Fluctibus, or Robert Fludd, declare, in accordance with the Mosaic account of creation—which, they maintain, is in no instance to be taken literally, but metaphorically—that two original principles, in the beginning, proceeded from the Divine Father. These are Light and Darkness, or form or idea, and matter or plasticity.

"The Rosicrucians held that, all things visible and invisible having been produced by the contention of light and darkness, the earth has denseness in its innumerable heavy concomitants downwards, and they contain less and less of the original divine light as they thicken and solidify the grosser and heavier in matter. They taught, nevertheless, that every object, however stifled or delayed in its operation, and darkened and thickened in the solid blackness at the base, yet contains a certain possible deposit, or jewel, of light—which light, although by natural process it may take ages to evolve, as light will tend at last by its own native, irresistible force upward (when it has opportunity), can be liberated; that dead matter will yield this spirit in a space more or less expeditious by the art of the alchemist. There are worlds within worlds—we, human organisms, only living in a deceiving, or Bhuddistic, 'dreamlike phase' of the grand panorama. Unseen and unsuspected (because in it lies magic), there is an inner magnetism, or divine *aura*, or ethereal spirit, or possible eager fire, shut and confined, as in a prison, in the body, or in all sensible solid objects, which have more or less of spiritually sensitive life as they can more successfully free themselves from this ponderable, material obstruction.

"Now a few words as to the theory of alchemy. The alchemists boasted of the power, after the elimination and dispersion of the ultimate elements of bodies by fire (represented by the absent difference of their weights before and after their dissolution), to recover them back out of that exterior, unknown world surrounding this world: which world men reason against as if it had no existence, when it has

real existence; and in which they were in ignorance in their 'Pre-State,' as they will be (perhaps also in ignorance) in their 'After-State.' It is this other world (just off this real world) into which the Rosicrucians say they can enter, and bring back, as proofs that they have been there, the old things (thought escaped), metamorphosed into new things. This act is *transmutation*. This product is magic gold, or 'fairy gold,' condensed as real gold. This growing gold, or self-generating and multiplying gold, is obtained by invisible transmutation (and in other light) in another world out of this world; immaterial to us creatures of limited faculties, but material enough, farther on, on the heavenly side, or on the side *opposite* to our human side. In other words the Rosicrucians claim not to be bound by the limits of the present world, but to be able to pass into this next world (inaccessible only in appearance), and to be able to work in it, and to come back safe (and self-same) out of it, bringing their trophies with them, which were gold, obtained out of this master-circle, or outside elementary circle, different from ordinary life, though enclosing it; and the *elixir vite*, or the means of the renewal or the perpetuation of human life through this universal immortal medicine, or *magisterium*, which, being a portion of the light outside, or magic, or breath of the spirits, fleeing from man, and only to be won in the audacity of God-aided alchemic exploration, was independent of those mastered natural elements, or nutritions, necessary to ordinary common life.

"The Rosicrucian Cabala teaches that the three great worlds above—Empyream, Ætheræum, and Elementary Region—have their copies in the three points of the body of man: that his head answers to the first; his breast, or heart, to the second; and his ventral region to the third.

"The following is a fair view of the Rosicrucian theory concerning music. The whole world is taken as a musical instrument; that is, a chromatic, sensible instrument. The common axis or pole of the world celestial is intersected—where this superior diapason, or heavenly concord or chord, is divided—by the spiritual sun, or centre of sentience. Every man has a little spark (sun) in his own bosom. Time is only protracted consciousness, because there is no world out of the mind conceiving it. Earthly music is the faintest tradition of the angelic state; it remains in the mind of man as the dream of, and the sorrow for, the lost paradise. Music is yet master of the man's emotions, and therefore of the man."

We regret that consideration of space preclude us from further notice of this remarkable work; but as the book may be one's very own for a few shillings we recommend it as a first-class Christmas investment for our readers. The price post free is only 7s. 10d., and we understand it may be obtained from Messrs. Foulsham & Co., 4, Pilgrim Street, London, E.C.

## Mental and Moral Aspects of Sleep--I.

By JOHN SHEPPARD.

**T**HIS subject will appear to some, in its nature as in its very name, so visionary, as to afford little prospect of real instruction. Yet an inquiry on the phenomena of dreaming was deemed worthy, by the late eminent Professor Stewart, to occupy a section in his "Elements of the Philosophy of the Human Mind." He states that three questions may be proposed on it; which I thus abridge:—"What is the state of the *mind* in sleep? How far do our dreams appear to be influenced by our bodily sensations? What change does sleep produce on those parts of the *body*, with which our mental operations are more immediately connected, and how does this change operate in diversifying so remarkably the phenomena which our minds then exhibit, from those of which we are conscious in our waking hours?" The second of these questions he refers "to the medical inquirer;" the third he judges "to relate to a subject which is placed beyond the reach of the human faculties."

The present writer is in no way entitled to enter on those physiological investigations, which the professional studies of others so much better qualify them to pursue. Nor, while examining the first question, "What is the state of the *mind* in sleep?" will any pretension be made to treat it in a strictly philosophic manner. The aim is to adduce some recorded facts and popular considerations which may cast a degree of light on it, and to connect with these some inferences, which, if well grounded, are certainly not wanting in interest and importance.

In connection with the speculation of that distinguished inquirer to whom reference has been made, it may be mentioned, that, since the selection of this topic, some encouragement has been derived from a note which Mr. Stewart appends to them, as follows: "The phenomena of dreaming may form an article not altogether useless in the natural history of man; inasmuch as they contribute to attract our attention to those intellectual powers, from which it is so apt to be drawn by that external world which affords the first, and (for the common purposes of life) the most interesting field for their exercise. In my own case at least," he adds, "this supposition has been exactly verified: as the speculations concerning the human mind, which I have ventured to present to the public, all took their rise from the subject to which this note refers. The observations which I have stated with respect to it in the text (excepting a very few paragraphs since added) were written at the age of eighteen, and formed a part of the first philosophical essay which I recollect to have attempted.—When I was afterwards led professionally, at the distance of many years, to resume the same studies, this short manuscript was almost the only memorial I had preserved of these favourite pursuits of my early youth; and from the views which is recalled to me, insensibly arose the analysis I have since undertaken of our intellectual faculties in

general." He then adds, "For some indulgence to the egotism of this note, I must trust to the goodness of my readers."

But apology was not requisite. The note may be very useful, by pointing out to the young the importance and value of a wise direction and employment of thought in "early youth;" as the frequent and perhaps usual germ of whatever they may achieve that is worth achieving, whether studiously or actively, in the maturity of after life. To me it has suggested the hope, that since this subject of dreaming originated the chief work of Dugald Stewart, it may here, however differently and slightly treated, give rise to some productive or profitable thoughts in the minds of inquiring readers.

The principal points which it will be endeavoured in this first Essay to illustrate, are, the *rapidity* of thought as exercised in dreams,—and the intellectual *inventiveness and power* occasionally exerted in dreaming. These facts, it will be argued, appear to corroborate other arguments for the immateriality of the soul, and to indicate also its capacity for thought in a state of separation from the present or *visible* bodily structure.

In the second Essay it is proposed to examine, and partially confirm, the prevailing impression, that some dreams have been specially ordered for important ends by the ruling Providence of God; yet strongly, at the same time, to discourage a fanciful or superstitious misuse of that persuasion.

Let me here premise, that we may infer how naturally arguments for a spiritual substance, and a divine Providence, have been deduced by mankind from certain phenomena of dreaming, when we are aware how solicitous the philosophic advocates of materialism have been to account for them mechanically. Thus Epicurus, who held that "the soul is a subtle corporeal substance composed of the finest atoms," taught that "dreams are the effect of images casually flying about, which from their extreme tenuity penetrate the body and strike upon the mind," which is itself "formed of particles most subtle in their nature." Lucretius has presented the same theory in an elaborate poetic dress. Hobbes, among the moderns, has treated of dreaming with the like design.

A philosopher of exceedingly different character from these, the great Locke,—some of whose opinions have been employed, contrary to his intention, to support the doctrines of materialists,—argues that thought and consciousness are in sound sleep suspended. But his conclusion rests merely on our frequent forgetfulness of having dreamed, and on the testimony of one "that was bred a scholar and had no bad memory," who told him "he had never dreamed in his life, till he had a fever." Such testimony, if ever so much multiplied, could amount only to this, that the deponents had had no dreams which they could *remember*; which proves nothing in the case.

Dr. Isaac Watts, in one of his philosophical essays, commenting on Mr. Locke's opinion, writes, "Often have I awoke from a dream wherein a multitude of scenes has been impressed on the mind—yet with utmost labour I could not recollect enough to fill up one minute, but only short broken hints of the dreaming scene, which also in a little time vanished." He adds, "It is plain that we may be conscious of sleeping thoughts at that moment when they arise, and not retain them the next moment; so that the forgetfulness of our dreams never so soon, is no proof that we did not dream, or had no consciousness of thinking in sleep."

The same, I apprehend, might often be truly alleged even of our recent *waking* thoughts. Let any one try to remember, in circumstances where the mind has been unbent or languid, what were the thoughts of the last five minutes, or to verify that there were any by producing *one*. Andrew Baxter, in his "Inquiry on the Soul," says truly, "It is a mark of our imperfect natures, that we cannot become conscious of all our past consciousness at pleasure;" adding, "no man at night would infer that he was not in a state of consciousness and thinking at a certain time of the day, because he has no memory what thoughts he had at that time. And it is no better argument that a man was not conscious in his sleep, because next morning he hath no memory of what ideas were in his mind."

Richard Baxter, a very different author, has these words: "I suppose the soul is never totally inactive. I never awaked, since I had the use of my memory, but I found myself coming out of a dream. And I suppose they that think they dream not, think so because they forget their dreams."

The late honoured Dr. Abercrombie has a remark of much weight in favour of this opinion. "We have reason to believe," he writes, "that dreams which are remembered occur only in imperfect sleep, and that we do not remember any mental impressions which occur in very profound sleep, though we have satisfactory proof that they exist. Thus, a person will talk in his sleep so as to be distinctly *understood* by another, but without having the least recollection afterwards of the mental impression which led to what he said."

A much-respected clergyman, the Rev. J. B. B. Clarke, (son of the eminent linguist and commentator Dr. Adam Clarke,) has favoured me with the account of a dream which clearly and curiously testifies of this. Mr. Clarke writes thus: "When I was a boy, it was my father's custom to hear me, overnight, repeat to him the lesson which I was expected to say the next morning in school. At the time I refer to I was learning my Greek grammar. When I went up to him just before bed time as usual, I could not say it, and was sent away in disgrace. Immediately I went to bed, as was the rule, after having left his study. Before he himself retired for the night, my father invariably went his rounds to the children's bed-rooms to see that all was right. Coming as usual to my room, he heard me speaking, and coming near saw that I was talking in my sleep. I was conjugating the verb, and he waited till I had gone through it all without a mistake. When I left the room next morning he summoned me to say my lesson. I was as

ignorant of it as I had been the night before; and though for my encouragement he told me at the time that he had heard me say it perfectly in my sleep, I still could not repeat it. The above fact he not only told me at the period when it occurred, but more than once in after life. I make no comments, but state the bare fact."

The evident inference is, that a dream completely distinct and intelligent, may yet have been quite effaced by or before waking, from the dreamer's memory.

This may be the fit occasion to express dissent from the opinion given in Dendy's book on dreams that "the dream never occurs in sound or perfect sleep, for then all the senses are quiescent or uninfluenced, at least by slight stimuli." Indeed some evidence tending to the opposite conclusion seems to present itself in another part of his essay, when, describing "trance or catalepsy," the author remarks that "consciousness in that state is sometime perfect," and relates the case of a lady, who in a profound trance actually heard and felt the preparations for her own burial, and could only rouse herself at the moment when "the coffin-lid was about to be nailed on." Such a case also goes far to make questionable the strong assertion of the excellent Dr. John Mason Good, that in "complete apoplexy"—"in sleepy coma from fever"—and "in all cases of suspended animation from drowning or catalepsy,"—"no man has been ever conscious of a single thought or idea." The only fact *possible* to be proved (and that would require an immense induction) would be that no one has ever remembered any.

But Sir Humphry Davy, relating what occurred to himself in typhus fever, writes: "I remained, when the weakness consequent to exhaustion came on, in an apparently senseless or lethargic state; yet, in fact, my mind was peculiarly active. There was always before me the form of a beautiful woman with whom I was engaged in the most interesting and intellectual conversation. Her figure, for many days, was so distinct in my mind as to form almost a visual image: as I gained strength, the visits of my good angel (for so I called it) became less frequent, and when I was restored to health they were altogether discontinued."

Dr. Abercrombie relates: "A gentleman whom I saw lately in a state of profound apoplexy, but from which he recovered, had a perfect recollection of what took place during the attack, and mentioned many things which had been said in his hearing, when he was supposed to be in a state of perfect unconsciousness. A lady, on recovering from a similar state, said she had been asleep and dreaming, and mentioned what she had dreamt about." So little are we entitled to affirm that apparent unconsciousness, apparent cessation of thought, is real. Even if no one had thus remembered the active exercise of thought, occurring in a state when it was judged to be wholly suspended, that want of remembrance (as was observed before) could never demonstrate that consciousness and thought had been in reality quite interrupted.

These preliminary facts and observations, as converting the views of materialists, are obviously important to my principal design.

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# What will Happen in 1909

## A SPECIAL FORECAST OF THE WORLD'S FATE.

By OLD MOORE, the Prophet of Pilgrim Street.

### A Red Year.

The year 1909 is likely to be one which will stand out as the commencement of international troubles, if not warfare, among the powers of the world. The eclipse of the Sun of the 3rd January, 1908 has not yet lost its power, and its effects will still be felt, and more particularly at the middle of March when Mars passes over the place of the eclipse. The year 1909 is the first year of the cycle of Mars, and also is a subcycle of the same planet, hence we shall hear of this planet's power in all quarters of the globe, and wars and rumours of wars will be prevalent.

### Eclipse of the Sun.

The first important figure for judgment is the solar eclipse of the 23rd December, which, though invisible in this country, falls within two degrees of the midheaven, in square to Saturn in the ascendant at London. This is ominous for the King, Government and country, denoting sickness and death in high places, poverty, want and distress in the land, discontent and gloom among the people, and many heavy troubles. The eclipse falls on the place of Saturn in the King's horoscope,

a warning of indisposition, and failing health, and will also bring heavy troubles to the Government, if not defeat. The eclipse falling in Capricorn, first decan, denotes unhappiness to great men, the transmigration of some King, and the rebellion of the nobles and common people. This will happen more particularly to the countries ruled by Capricorn; Greece, Afghanistan, India,

Mexico, etc. The chief indications as affecting our own country, in addition to those mentioned, will arise from Mars in the eighth house, which indicates many terrible and sudden deaths, and the Sun ruling the sixth house much sickness among the people. Mars will transit the place of the eclipse at the end of February, and important events are then shown to occur. At Paris,

the eclipse falls on the midheaven, which is unfavourable for the President, and may bring about the fall of the French Government. At 18 E. Uranus culminates, which is evil for Austria, Bosnia and Brindisi. At 95 E. Saturn culminates, denoting serious troubles in Burmah and Eastern India. In 43 W. Mars culminates, and this falls on Rio de Janeiro, where serious fires, riots and



incendiarism will occur. A serious earthquake is threatened in 85 W., in Honduras or Nicaragua, while in 137 E. Mars will be on the nadir, which is an indication of earthquakes or volcanic eruptions. This falls in Japan, Papua, and also close to Adelaide in S. Australia, where fires are threatened.

### **Vernal Equinox.**

At the Vernal Equinox, the planets Mars and Uranus are conjoined in the eleventh house, denoting turbulent scenes in Parliament, deaths of members, and some danger of an outrage. Turbulence will be prevalent in Central Europe, for Mars and Uranus will culminate, and outrages and assassinations will be heard of.

The figure, however, is subsidiary, to the Neomenia, or New Moon, which closely follows on the heels of the Equinox, only 14 hours after. The luminaries are then conjoined on the cusp of the sixth, not far from Saturn in that house, denoting much sickness in the land. Mars and Uranus are not far from the cusp of the fourth house which is evil for agriculture, landed interests, and explosions in mines are probable. At Lisbon, Uranus is on the cusp of the fourth house, and disturbances or an earthquake are threatened there. Jupiter in the eleventh is better for the Commons and legislation affecting the working classes will be prominent, but religious and financial disputes are likely, for Mercury in the fifth opposes Jupiter. At 64 E. Long. Saturn is on the nadir, an indication of earthquakes and inclement weather.

### **Conjunction of Mars and Uranus.**

These two planets form their conjunction on March 26th at 10.35 p.m. This is an evil influence, seriously affecting the national exchequer, and causing strange fluctuations in trade. In Japan, near Nagasaki, the two planets are on the meridian, denoting fires, explosions or tidal disturbances. In Turkestan and Persia they will be rising, denoting rioting and bloodshed, as well as seismic troubles. The conjunction will affect India, Afghanistan and Mexico.

### **Eclipse of the Sun.**

The annular eclipse of the Sun, invisible in this country, occurs on June 17th, Mars rising, in opposition to Jupiter. This is bad for money and religious affairs. As it falls in Gemini it will affect London and the States. Mars culminates in India, Saturn in China, and grave troubles are threatened in those parts. Saturn is on the nadir in Long. of Newfoundland and the Antilles, presignifying earthquakes in those parts.

### **Summer Solstice.**

The Sun enters Cancer just after two in the morning of 22nd June, the ingress taking place in the second house close to the square of Jupiter, denoting heavy expenditure in educational matters. Mars in the eleventh shows disputes in the Commons over religious and financial matters. Trade will fluctuate, losses by fraud being shown in the National Exchequer. Railways will benefit somewhat, but there are indications of outrages. The Moon and Jupiter influencing the fifth is better for the rising generation, the birth rate will increase, and theatres and music halls will benefit. Foreign affairs will be more satisfactory, but colonial matters will be much disturbed, especially India and S. Africa. In Armenia and the Caucasus, Mars will culminate, denoting a reign of terror in those parts. India will suffer, for Saturn culminates, warning the Viceroy to guard against a native rising. At about 100 W. and 135 W. Long. earthquakes or tidal waves are threatened.

### **Autumnal Equinox.**

This ingress takes place just before five in the evening, and the Sun, ruler of the seventh house, is in opposition to Mars. This is ominous for our country, and denotes grave danger of war. Jupiter in the seventh may help to preserve peace, but this planet is coming to an opposition of Mars, and it will require all the skill and diplomacy of the Government to steer clear of difficulties. The revenue will be poor, Saturn on the cusp of the second opposed to Mercury, denoting depreciation of securities, decrease of

revenue and slackness of trade. Railways promise to be more prosperous, and traffic returns will be above the average. Hospitals and institutions will suffer. In the States, Long. 72 W., Mars is on the lower meridian, pointing to fires, incendiarism, etc. Earthquake shocks are threatened in 53 W. Insurrections, bloodshed, will be prevalent in 108 E. The Ruler of Korea is in danger, for Saturn culminates in that country. Russia, Turkey and the Balkans will feel the effects of Uranus culminating at the ingress. The Ruler of Austria should beware of war, for in his country Mars will be rising in opposition to the Sun, setting.

### General Predictions.

The countries ruled by the four Cardinal signs will suffer heavy troubles during the year, but they will be but the preludes to greater disasters in the following year. Turkey and Paris will benefit while Jupiter remains in Virgo. India suffers much all through the year, but chiefly at the end of February, March, and early part of April. Spain in January and February, Russia in April and May, Portugal and Turkey in June and July, will feel the effects of Mars in their respective ruling signs. Mars will be in Aries during August and September, and again end of November, through December, meeting the conjunction of Saturn in this sign on the 29th of the month, an omen of war and disaster. This we must leave until next year.

### Important Horoscopes.

The planetary positions during 1909, affect chiefly the horoscopes of the King of England, Prince of Wales, King of Italy, King of Greece, Emperors of Germany, Austria, and Russia. These are all more or less affected by the planets in Cardinal signs, and the stationary position of Mars first in Aries and then in the end of Pisces. It seems more than probable that International disputes, if not actual warfare, will arise in 1909, and give the year the title which we have chosen "A Red Year."

### The Stock Exchange.

Many readers and subscribers have done well over American rails as advised persis-

tently for four months. Now, leaving everything else, look to brewery shares. Legislation has frightened holders till they have simply thrown them away. OLD MOORE can tell you that events will prove that brewers will benefit in the end, as they will know just where they are. This, has been a doubt to them for years. They will go ahead and flourish exceedingly. Remember, every soul must drink, and good beer is good, but nearly all brewers now add temperance drinks so they secure business all round. OLD MOORE's advice is buy at once, and all you can; in three months the price may go from you. Brewers should and must stick to brewing and not dabble in finance, they will then do justice to the shareholders. At the time of writing, Allsopps, Benskins, Brodingtons, Cannon, Chesters, Colchester, Daniels, Dartford, Gartsides, Groves & Whitnall, Hancocks, Hoares, Huggins, Inde Coope, Lion, John Lovibond, Manchester, Morgans Noakey, Nottingham, Strettons, Derby, and Watney, Combe show from 10 to 20 per cent. on the market price. They are certain to have a rapid rise.

## Astronomical Phenomena

FOR JANUARY, 1909.

### The Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	6th	...	2h. 13m. aft.
Last Quarter,	14th	...	6h. 11m. aft.
New Moon,	22rd	...	0h. 12m. morn.
First Quarter,	28th	...	3h. 7m. aft.

### Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN in Capricorn until 20th, enters Aquarius on that day at 4h. 11m. p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Capricorn, enters Aquarius on 10th, favourably situated for observation at end of month; setting on 31st. 1h. 42m. after the Sun.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star in Sagittarius, enters Capricorn on the 15th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Scorpio, enters Sagittarius on the 10th.

4. JUPITER is an evening star in Virgo, well placed for observation.
5. SATURN is an evening star in Aries, well placed for observation.
6. URANUS is too close to the Sun for observation this month. It is still in Capricorn.
7. NEPTUNE is in Cancer, well placed for observation, being in opposition to the Sun on 6th, and due South at midnight.
8. The table below shows the days on which the Moon occupies the several signs of the Zodiac.

1, 2	Taurus	18, 19	Sagittarius
3, 4	Gemini	20, 21	Capricorn
5, 6, 7	Cancer	22, 23	Aquarius
8, 9	Leo	24, 25	Pisces
10, 11, 12	Virgo	26, 27	Aries
13, 14	Libra	28, 29	Taurus
15, 16, 17	Scorpio	30, 31	Gemini

### The Weather.

The month opens with high winds, dull and unsettled to 4th; warmer 5th, changeable to 8th, then mild, foggy and windy to 12th; 17th stormy; variable and changeable to 23rd, then colder and some downfall; foggy and damp end of month.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

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## The Way to Wealth--II.

From "Poor Richard's Almanack" for 1758.

"So what signifies wishing and hoping for better times? We may make these times better if we bestir ourselves. 'Industry need not wish, and he that lives upon hopes will die fasting. There are no gains without pains; then help, hands, for I have no lands'; or if I have they are smartly taxed. 'He that hath a trade hath an estate, and he that hath a calling hath an office of profit and honor' as Poor Richard says; but then the trade must be worked at and the calling followed, or neither the estate nor the office will enable us to pay our taxes. If we are industrious we shall never starve, for 'At the working man's house hunger looks in but dares not enter.' Nor will the bailiff nor the constable enter, for 'Industry pays debts, while despair increaseth them.' What though you have found no treasure, nor has any rich relation left you a legacy, 'Diligence is the mother of good luck, and God gives all things to industry. Then plow deep while sluggards sleep, and you will have corn to sell and to keep.' Work while it is called to-day, for you know not how much you may be hindered to-morrow. 'One to-day is worth two to-morrows,' as Poor Richard says; and further, 'Never leave that till to-morrow which you can do to-day.'

"If you were a servant would you not be ashamed that a good master should catch you idle? Are you then your own master? Be ashamed to catch yourself idle when there is so much to be done for yourself, your family, your country, and your king. Handle your tools without mittens; remember that 'The cat in gloves catches no mice,' as Poor Richard says. It is true there is much to be done, and perhaps you are weak-handed, but stick to it steadily and you will see great effects; for 'Constant dropping wears away stones'; and 'By diligence and patience the mouse ate in two the cable'; and 'Little strokes fell great oaks.'

"Methinks I hear some of you say, 'Must a man afford himself no leisure?' I will tell thee, my friend, what Poor Richard says: 'Employ thy time well, if thou meanest to gain leisure; and, since thou art not sure of a minute, throw not away an hour.' Leisure is time for doing something useful; this leisure the diligent man will obtain, but the lazy man never; for 'A life of leisure and a life of laziness are two things. Many, without labor would live by their wits only, but they break for want of stock'; whereas industry gives comfort and plenty and respect. 'Fly pleasures, and they will follow you. The diligent spinner has a large shift; and now I have a sheep and a cow, everybody bids me good morrow.

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## How to Cast the Horoscope.\*

By **GEORGE WILDE.**

If railway or post office time is used in recording the birth time, which is Greenwich or standard time, then 12 minutes should be deducted from

8 hours 48 minutes. Thus :—*Example* :

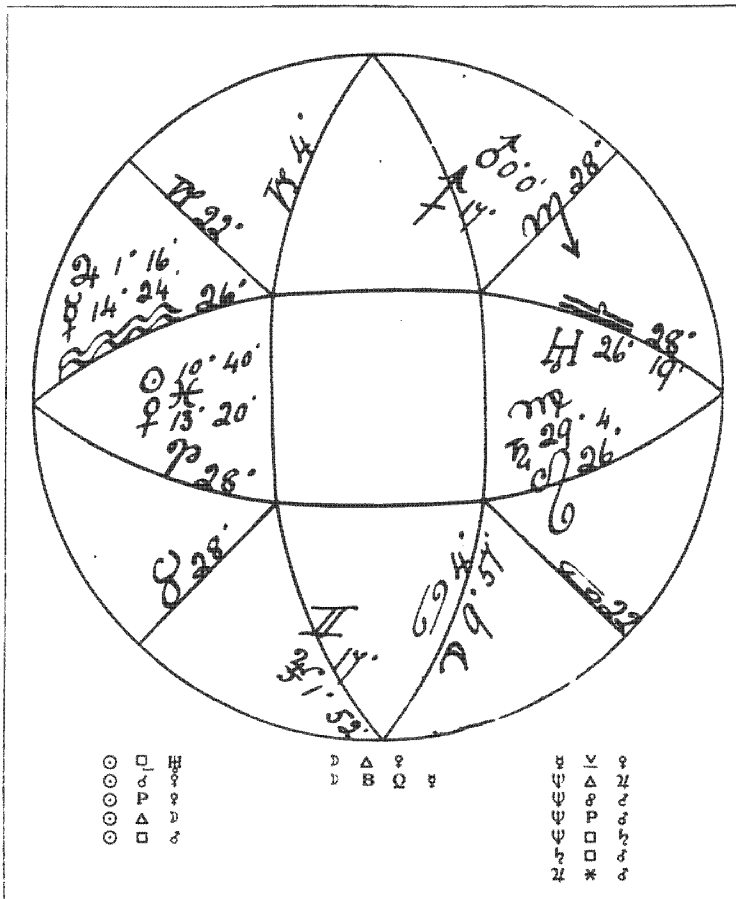
Required the horoscope of a child born at 10.10 p.m., March 1st, 1890. Sidereal time at noon, 22h. 36m. Add to this the time that has elapsed since noon, namely, 10h. 10m. and we have 32h. 46m. But as the sidereal time has been increasing since noon; and it increases at the rate of 3m. 56.56 sec. per day, this is approximately 10 sec. per hour and 1 minute for

every 6 hrs., so that in this case add 2 min. to represent the 10h. 10m. We have then 32h. 48min. As this exceeds 24 hrs., subtract that period, which will leave 8h. 48m. From this subtract 12 min. for correction of Greenwich time and then we have 8h. 36m. which corresponds to the nearest sidereal

time in the tables of Houses viz., 8h. 37m. which shows Leo 7 deg. on the 10th house and 27 deg. Libra on the ascendant or first house.

This illustration is rendered necessary

since the introduction of Greenwich time, or standard time as it is sometimes called, into provincial towns such as Liverpool which is using Greenwich time, though its own true meridian time is really 12 minutes later than Greenwich time. Thus a babe born to-day in Liverpool at 12 noon must have its horoscope computed for 11.48 a.m. because of this correction. When



therefore it is 12 noon by the post office clock, or the railway station clock, at Liverpool to-day, it really wants 12 minutes to the true Meridian time of Liverpool.

\*Mr. Wilde, the Author of "Natal Astrology," "Chaldean Astrology" and other works, has given us permission to reproduce his article, "How to Compute the Horoscope," which is Chapter III. in his "Primer of Astrology," published at 1/- by Foulsham & Co.

It is now the custom to regulate the household clock either by the post office or the railway time, which are both identical, *i.e.* both are really Greenwich time. This was not the case a good many years ago when provincial towns regulated their clocks by a sun-dial, the church clock keeping true local time. To-day the churches mostly regulate their clocks by the local post office time. The above is the horoscope corrected for Greenwich, or standard, time as it is now called, *viz.*: March 1st, 6.42 a.m., 1890, Liverpool - Greenwich time being used. *Example.*—If the time used in the house-

hold at Liverpool in recording the birth, that is the hour at which the nativity occurred, is railway or post office time, which is Greenwich, or standard, time, then 12 minutes should be deducted from 17 hours 17 minutes, leaving 17 hours 5 minutes.

The nearest sidereal time to this in the Tables of Houses is 17 hours 3 minutes, which brings the 17th degree of Sagittarius on to the Meridian and the 26th degree of Aquarius on to the Ascendant. It will be seen that this correction makes no difference to the longitudes of the planets; the Moon only has had six minutes deducted from its longitude.

## A Lucky Reader.

**A**N old proverb has it that "It is better to be born lucky than rich." One of our readers appears to be on the way to the realisation of this maxim, as the following account of his recent experiences will go to show.

Passing down a lonely road quite near his home the other evening, he saw on a low wall an empty two-quart jug, and, as it appeared to him to belong to nobody, he quietly took it down and returned home with it. Coming out again some five minutes later he was much surprised to find a similar jug, but of smaller size, in exactly the same spot. This he duly annexed and returned home. Returning again to the same spot in hope of completing the set he was much disappointed to find the third jug had not put in an appearance.

Shortly after this he was walking with his sister, when, at a lonely part of the roadside, he discovered a pair of absolutely new boots. These were taken up and conveyed home. Next morning, in the same spot, he found a further pair, exactly the same. Returning again on the following morning another pair awaited his approach; but subsequent visits have proved fruitless.

Following these extraordinary occurrences he picked up one morning, one threepenny-piece and two sixpences. On the next

morning, at the same time and place, sevenpence in coppers met his astonished gaze.

But the story of his good fortune does not end even here, for having to go on a railway journey a few days later he found a small lady's brooch, which he very kindly gave to his little sister. Two days later he found another brooch which, curiously enough, bore the initial of his wife's name. His elder sister being present at the time when he returned home with this latest treasure she laughingly said, "I think you should give me the next one you pick up," to which he replied that he would. Two days later he came in with a 9-carat wire brooch bearing the unchristened name by which his sister is fondly known only amongst her more familiar friends.

At this point his remarkable record ends, but we hope with him "that his luck has not deserted him yet."

We quite realise that the foregoing narration will prove a great tax on the credulity of many of our readers, but we can assure them, from personal knowledge, that the account is quite trustworthy, and later on we hope to publish our friend's horoscope and demonstrate by astrological laws that he is *born* to good fortune. That in fact, there is more truth in the proverb quoted above than most of us are aware of.

# An Astrological Guide to Health, Success and Happiness

## CHAPTER IV.

### AN EXAMPLE FOR JUDGING HEALTH.

The horoscope given on this page is as an example for judging health and disease, according to the simple rules laid down in the last two chapters.

The sign Pisces ascends, Aries being intercepted in the ascendant. The Sun is in Sagittarius, the Moon in Taurus, Uranus occupies the sixth house, Mars and Venus are conjoined on the cusp of the eighth, while Saturn occupies the twelfth house. I propose, therefore, to show how the native is affected by the planetary positions, so far as they touch the subject of health, and to give certain facts from his life with regard thereto.

#### Rising Sign.

—This is Pisces ruling the feet. It is not a strong sign, and does not give a very strong body, but as Aries is intercepted this is to a great extent counteracted. The chief complaints experienced, arise from impure blood, disordered bowels (under Pisces) and head and stomach troubles (under Aries).

*Sun's Position.*—The Sun is in Sagittarius conjoined with Mercury and Jupiter, but in square to Saturn, though elevated above this planet. The constitution is a very strong

one, the recuperative powers are good and the native easily overcomes diseases. Sagittarius rules the hips and thighs, and the native has suffered from rheumatism, sciatica, also from hurts, cuts and accidents, both in sport and otherwise. The square of Saturn to the Sun is shown in a susceptibility to cold especially cold caught at the feet (Saturn in Pisces ruling the feet).

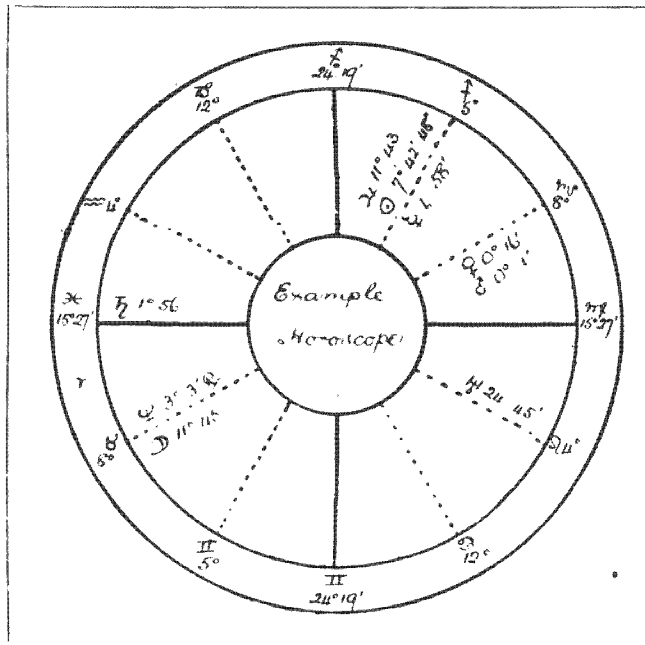
*Moon's Position.*—The Moon is in Taurus,

ruling the throat, and this organ is subject to periodical disorders. Every winter as regular as clock-work, the native experiences considerable trouble in this organ.

#### Sixth House.

—Here we find Uranus in the sign Leo. On page 28, it is said that Uranus and Neptune are factors in nervous and psychic disorders. This position makes the native sub-

ject to nervous complaints, and it is shown at times in a highly strung nervous condition, and a very peculiar nervous irritability. Being in Leo, Uranus should affect the heart and back. Up to the present there has been no heart troubles, but there is a weakness of the back due the effects of a fall some eighteen years back. The chief aspects formed immediately before and after the cusp of the sixth house are  $\square \text{ } \text{♂}$ ,  $\square \text{ } \text{♀}$ ,  $\text{♄}$  &  $\text{♅}$ ,  $\text{♄}$  &  $\text{♅}$ ,  $\square \text{ } \text{♄}$ ,  $\square \text{ } \text{♅}$ , and various



slight illnesses are to be directly attributed to these.

*Malefic Planets.*—The planets Mars and Saturn are in Scorpio and Pisces respectively. The former has shown its influence on the native in the shape of boils, especially in that part of the body ruled by Scorpio, and the worst effects are shown in what is technically known as a *fissure in ano*. Saturn in Pisces gives grave troubles through cold caught at the feet, and a great sensitiveness to cold, and being in square to Mercury, gives mental troubles through worry, anxiety and mental strain, suffering much from neuralgia and nervous headache.

Now it is interesting to note that the native has escaped many illnesses through a regard for hygiene and natural remedies. For instance, one would think that with Saturn rising in Pisces in square to Mercury,

that worry and anxiety would drive to drink. The native is practically a tetotalter, and he is very particular in food, taking only plain, wholesome diet. With the Sun in Sagittarius he is a good walker, and when run down or out of sorts, the one thing which puts his system in tone is a good five to ten-mile walk. Mercury being afflicted by Saturn, he is always careful not to over-do things mentally, and twice previously has he all but broke down through over-work. Saturn in Pisces makes him susceptible to cold, he always takes proper care of himself in winter by warm underclothing, and is very particular not to get his feet wet.

Thus we see how the simple rules for judging health and disease are exemplified in the life of the native, and how the hygienic remedies help to lessen the troubles.

Our next chapter will deal with Success.

## Personal Magnetism.

By ASTROLABUS.

**I**N latter years we have been somewhat accustomed to hear a great deal about the cultivation of personal magnetism, and so forth. Those who seek to make gain out of this subject are ready to impart,—for a consideration, of course,—the secret of this wonderful gift.

Now, any astrologer will tell us the truth about this secret. Those possessed of this faculty are, like poets, born and not made. Of course, when the inherent faculty is born in anyone, that person can improve its operation, just as an educated poet is better than one who is, for instance, unacquainted with symbolism.

There is not much of a secret about personal magnetism after all. Those who are born with Saturn and Uranus in aspect are pretty certain to possess this gift. Even if Saturn be not in Aspect to Uranus, but Uranus be placed prominently in the horoscope in aspect to the Moon or Mercury, the person then born will be able to exercise great influence on others.

Whether the influence exercised will be for good or evil will depend on other considerations, such as the general indications of the horoscope on morality and so forth. But the influence will be there for all that. And if a man or woman has no indications of the possession of this magnetic characteristic, no amount of practice, nor of taking of courses from self-styled professors of it, will avail to produce the faculty in the subject. Of course, we all have *some* of this influence. but in speaking as I do I allude to the conscious possession of a considerable amount of the power and a knowledge that one is able to influence others even against their will. And I say, definitely, that it is impossible to acquire this unless there is an indication of the sort I have noted above in the nativity itself. The possession of the ability to fascinate depends on the existence at birth of aspects between Venus and Uranus in a Man, and Venus, Uranus and Mars in a woman. Diana the huntress, the goddess of the Ephesians, was a character that

would answer to this particular description splendidly, and there is considerable reason to think that her power over the hearts and imaginations of men is as great to-day as it was in Ancient Greece.

In considering the effects on the personal magnetism of positions such as the above, regard should be had to the signs from which the aspects are thrown. It would be very interesting in this connection to get a horoscope or two of men and women who have been noted for their influence over wild animals. I have already been able to note that if Venus be aspected as above described in a male natus, and Venus be in a feminine sign the native succeeds better with women than with men, and if Venus be in a masculine sign the native is more liked by men than by women. I have not been able to find by experience the action in the case of women, but arguing by analogy, I suppose that if Mars is posited in male or female signs in a female natus, it would cause similar results in her case, that is when Mars is aspected by Uranus.

With regard to the possession of hypnotic faculty, I have verified personally the remarks on the subjects which have been made by Raphael. He states in his Guide, and elsewhere, that when there is an opposition between Saturn and Uranus at birth the native will have mesmeric ability. There was such an opposition at my own birth, and at the age of fourteen years, long before I heard anything about Astrology, I found an old book in my father's library which dealt with the subject of mesmerism as it was then called. I very soon understood the procedure, and tried it upon some of my schoolfellows. I succeeded at the very first attempt, and although I do not often test my powers in this line, I may say that I have never set out on an experiment without meeting with success, more or less pronounced,—and once I was absolutely astounded at the result. The subject passed from my control straight into a very high phase of clairvoyance, which then gave place to a spirit control. This terminated in a normal manner, the same as I have seen happen in séances of Spiritualistic circles.

This is an age when everybody *likes* to think that he or she is as well-endowed as other people, and hence that it is only a question of training in order to become or do anything.

But no mistake can be greater, and the safest line to take is that of the development of the inborn gifts, and these can only be known *thoroughly* by astrology. If we "covet earnestly the best gifts," as Paul advises—it does not by any means follow that we shall have them.

## Better than Gold.

Better than grandeur, better than gold,  
Than rank and titles a thousand fold,  
Is a healthy body and a mind at ease  
And simple pleasures that always please?  
A heart that can feel for another's woe,  
With sympathies large enough to enfold  
All men as brothers, is better than gold.

Better than gold is a conscience clear,  
Though toiling for bread in an humble sphere,  
Doubly blest with content and health,  
Untried by the lusts and cares of wealth,  
Lowly living and lofty thought  
Adorn and ennoble a poor man's cot,  
For mind and morals in nature's plan  
Are the genuine tests of a gentleman.

Better than gold is the sweet repose  
Of the sons of toil when the labours close,  
Better than gold is the poor man's sleep,  
And the balm that drops on his slumbers deep.  
Bring sleeping draughts on the downy bed,  
Where luxury pillows its aching head,  
The toiler simple opiate deems  
A shorter route to the land of dreams.

Better than gold is a thinking mind,  
That in the realm of books can find  
A treasure surpassing Australian ore,  
And live with the great and good of yore.  
The sage's lore and the poet's lay,  
The glories of empires passed away;  
The world's great dream will thus unfold  
And yield a pleasure better than gold.

Better than gold is a peaceful home  
Where all the fireside characters come,  
The Shrine of love, the heaven of life,  
Hallowed by mother, or sister, or wife,  
However humble the home may be,  
Or tried with sorrow by heaven's decree,  
The blessings that never were bought or sold  
And centre there are better than gold.

FATHER RYAN.

## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### IV.—SATURN, THE RINGED ORB.

**T**HE next stage of our journey is to the planet Saturn, the Ringed orb, and though an immense distance, is only a little more than half the way from Neptune to Uranus.

Sir Robert Ball says "while Saturn must yield the palm to Jupiter so far as mere dimensions are concerned, yet it will be generally admitted that even Jupiter, with all the retinue by which he is attended, cannot compare in beauty with the marvellous system of Saturn." To himself, as he further says, Saturn is one of the three most interesting objects visible to observers in northern latitudes. Although the planet Saturn was known to the ancients from time immemorial, it is really only in recent years that the discovery of its peculiarity and beauty was made, and this dates back to the discovery of the telescope.

At the beginning of the seventeenth century, when Galileo made his little telescope which magnified but thirty times, he made an examination of the heavens. He saw the spots on the Sun, mountain in the Moon, the crescent shape of Venus, and the satellites of Jupiter. When he turned his glass to Saturn he made at once a great discovery. He saw at once that this planet, like the others, presented a visible form, but it differed from all the rest, inasmuch as it appeared to him, to be composed of three bodies which always touched one another and maintained the same relative position in regard to each other. The three bodies were in a line, the central one being larger than the two outside ones. It was altogether mysterious and inexplicable, as he had seen nothing like it in the heavens before. He continued his observations, and in a few years time, he saw to his amazement, that the two outside bodies gradually became smaller and smaller, and at last entirely vanished, leaving just the one round disc of the planet.

But there was no mistake about it. The

objects were there when he first began to observe the planet, they really did decline, and they really disappeared, but, only for a time; they again re-appeared. They were then carefully examined, and gradually the true nature of this remarkable object was discovered, but this was some fifty years later.

This peculiar appendage to the planet was in reality a ring, and the cause of its disappearance was due to the fact that it revolved round the planet. This ring was so thin, that once every fifteen years it presented merely a very thin streak towards the earth, and in the telescope of low power used by Galileo they became invisible, and at every seven or eight years it turned round, and showed an illuminated side to the earth, and appeared like a ringed star. Other discoveries followed, and it was found that the ring was divided and it was in reality three rings inside the others.

In 1655, further discoveries were made. On March 25th of that year the astronomer Huyghens, was examining Saturn, when he noticed a small star-like object near the planet. The next night he again found this object, and also saw that it was following the planet. Sixteen years later the second was discovered, the year after the third, and twelve years after this, the fourth and fifth.

In 1789, Sir William Herschell examined Saturn, and he discovered a sixth satellite but nearer to Saturn than all the rest, while later he discovered another even more close than the last one. In 1848 a further discovery was made of another satellite, the seventh in order of distance from Saturn, and the eighth in order of discovery.

A few words about the planet itself, and we will then resume our journey to the next stopping place, Jupiter, the Giant of the solar system.

Saturn revolves round the Sun at a mean distance of 884 millions of miles, at an average rate of nearly six miles a second. Its mean diameter is 71,000 miles, and it

rotates on its axis once in 10h. 14m. 24s. Its journey round the Sun occupies no less than 10,759 of our days, a little more than 29 earth years.

Of no planet in the system can there be one of such interest as Saturn. The rings

shining with the radiance of our Moon, will constantly arch the heavens. The eight moons threading through the sky will be seen in different phases, while the stars shining between the rings and disappearing beyond them, all add to the beauty of the scene.

## Hindoo Magic

With a Note on its Relation to the Evolution of Science.

**I**N the year 189— I greeted a friend of mine on his return from India, which he had visited under exceptionally favourable circumstances, by reason of his high social station in England, and his friendship with certain Government officials in the great Dependency.

In the course of a recital of his experiences, he dwelt at some length upon a singular incident which occurred while he was a guest of the lieutenant-governor of the province of D——. Certain fakirs, of great repute among the natives of the district, had recently come into the neighbourhood, and it was suggested to my friend, who had always been interested in occultism and had been a frequent contributor on the subject to English periodicals, that he might like to enlarge his knowledge of the cult by witnessing the performances of these men. The suggestion was readily complied with and the performance took place in a large compound not far removed from the lieutenant-governor's residence. There was a large company present, forming a circle round the performers. The latter were four in number and were accompanied by a boy. They took up a position in the centre of a wide, gravel path that bisected a plot of grass. The first portion of the performance was not particularly impressive, consisting, as it did, of feats such as "the sword and basket-trick," with which Colonel Stoddart, and others, made London familiar some forty years ago. But the subsequent portion filled my friend with amazement, and confirmed his published theories that the Hindoo fakirs possessed a knowledge of "the imponderables" and secret forces of nature, to which Europeans were utter strangers.

In this part of the performance, the chief fakir caused a basin of pure water to be brought from the house, and, after ordering the boy to sit down on the path, Turkish-wise, he placed the basin between the boy's knees. At the fakir's command, the boy bent his gaze upon the water, while his employer uttered some form of incantation and waved his hands over the boy's head. Instantly the water changed to a vivid, transparent green. Again the hands were waved, the liquid began to boil, then gathered itself together in a heap, until it became resolved into a translucent, green brick in the centre of the basin. Another incantation followed and the brick transformed itself into a gaudily-painted snake that writhed and hissed as it travelled round the basin.

Using the same methods, the fakir caused the snake to resolve itself again into the brick, the brick into the green liquid and the latter, in turn, became pure water. The basin was then removed from the boy's knees, the fakir uttered a loud exclamation, and the boy vanished into space; only to reappear again on the outskirts of the throng of spectators.

Another wonder followed. Three spades were produced and, being taken in hand by three of the fakirs, three holes were dug in the path in a straight line with each other. Into each of these holes was placed a short straight sword, hilt downwards, and the disturbed gravel was filled in round the hilts and firmly pressed down. The chief fakir selected one of his associates and caused him to assume a recumbent attitude on the path. Over the prostrate man the chief waved his brown and skinny hands gracefully, several times, until the subject became as inert and rigid as stone. The other two fakirs came forward and, lifting the senseless form, placed it carefully on the sword-points. The chief then took up a spade, his assistants followed his example, and, in a few minutes, the gravel was again loosened, the swords removed, and, like Mahomet's coffin, the recumbent figure remained suspended between earth and heaven.

Three weeks after this extraordinary exhibition, my friend found himself in the city of Peshawur. The town was *en file*, in consequence of the visit of the heir-apparent to an imperial throne, who was accompanied on his travels by a Greek prince. My friend had the *entree* of this circle, which embraced an American gentleman of erudition, wealth and leisure. The latter made my friend's acquaintance. Many of their tastes were mutual and the incident at D—— came under discussion. With true transpontine acumen, the American determined at once to investigate the mystery and to see with his own eyes what others had seen. The four fakirs were sought for and found and the performance at D—— was repeated at Peshawur. At its conclusion, the American, in a state of repressed excitement, informed my friend that the exhibition "beat all creation" and, better still, that, thanks to his possession of a Kodak camera, he had in his hands a reproduction of every one of the amazing feats.

"Just you wait until I have these plates developed! They will paralyse humanity!" was his exultant conclusion.

In due time the plates were developed and they *did* paralyse humanity—as represented by the American and my friend. The faithful camera, in the case of each act of the performance, showed the four fakirs and the boy, absolutely indolent and motionless, staring at the crowd and the crowd staring at them! *Nothing had happened!*

“How on earth do you explain it?” enquired my friend dismally at the close of his recital.

“Hypnotism!” I replied laconically.

“Hypnotism?” he gasped.

“Yes, the great Charcot has proved it to be nothing else. The fakirs hypnotised the whole lot of you. It was easy. The whole lot of you, as Charcot would tell you, came to the show in a state subjective to the hypnotic trance. You came, expecting to see wonders—and you saw them. That’s all!”

“If that’s the case,” said my friend slowly, “I have done forever with ‘séances’ and ‘materialisations,’ they are hypnotic fakes too!”

Is this a fair conclusion? I venture to think it is in a good measure, but not wholly so. I will briefly explain. The “materialisations” *per se* are *unreal*. The “sitters” do not really see what they think they see. But they see what the medium sees. The medium makes them temporary partners in his occult power. And the medium is but a ripple, among myriads of other ripples, on the boundless tide of Evolution. The world scoffs, and always has scoffed, at that which it cannot understand; but Evolution, light of foot, trips swiftly over the scoffer’s grave. The march of science has become incredibly rapid and no longer tolerates the arresting hand of sheer incredulity. Great upheavals are taking place in the worlds of Thought and Investigation. Men are commencing to realise that the fables of their boyhood have become the facts of their manhood; that the railroad train has eclipsed the achievements of the magic carpet of Bagdad; that in America, palaces are constructed in a night and a day—far out-rivalling in gorgeous splendour that of Aladdin; while the latter’s lamp has been relegated to the limbo of neglect by the golden rays of that of Science. The Marvel of to-day becomes the “mechanical toy” of to-morrow, and the Problem that once engaged the breathless pursuit of sages now spins on the pavements of cities and is sold for sixpence. Where millions once accepted blindly the axioms laid down by a few, these same millions are now seeking solutions for themselves. The Age of Stone gave place to the Age of Iron and the last has paled before the Age of Electricity. Another Age, greater still, is dawning upon us and the present century will be known as the Age of Solution. Why not? Experience—that harsh, but noblest of mothers—teaches us that what past generations have not learned, this generation may not learn, and many generations to come may not learn, but one, some day, *will* learn. Already we have begun to drop the “super” from the “natural.” Radiography has covered, at one gigantic stride, what, ten years ago, mortals regarded as an illimitable development. Educated people speak no longer of “telepathy” as a mystery. The mystery has become an illustration. We *know* that

the human mind, keyed by circumstance to its highest tension, can project into the ether waves those pulsations which find their “receiver” awaiting in a mind equally attuned, thousands of miles away! Who is there to-day rash enough to deny that, ere the present century closes, science will have unravelled that greatest Problem of all, which men, for æons, in the poverty of their intellect and feebleness of their enterprise, have labelled with the hideous and clumsy appellation of Death?—CONSTANTINE.

## A NEW VERSION OF THE RIB STORY.

The following extract from Sanskrit legend, made by Mr. Crawley, in his book, “The Mystic Rose: A Story of Primitive Marriage,” provides a very interesting change from the rib story.

In the beginning, when Twashtri came to the creation of woman, he found that he had exhausted his materials in the making of man, and that no solid elements were left. In this dilemma, after profound meditation, he did as follows. He took the rotundity of the moon, and the curves of creepers, and the clinging of tendrils, and the trembling of grass, and the slenderness of the reed, and the bloom of flowers, and the lightness of leaves, and the tapering of the elephant’s trunk, and the glances of deer, and the clustering of rows of bees, and the joyous gaiety of sunbeams, and the weeping of clouds, and the fickleness of the winds, and the timidity of the hare, and the vanity of the peacock, and the softness of the parrot’s bosom, and compounding all these together, he made woman and gave her to man. But after one week man came to him and said: “Lord, this creature that you have given me makes my life miserable. She chatters incessantly and teases me beyond endurance, never leaving me alone, and she requires incessant attention, and takes all my time up, and cries about nothing, and is always idle; and so I have come to give her back again, as I cannot live with her.” So Twashtri said: “Very well”; and he took her back. Then after another week, man came again to him and said: “Lord, I find that my life is very lonely once I gave you back that creature. I remember how she used to dance and sing to me, and look at me out of the corner of her eye, and play with me, and cling to me, and her laughter was music, and she was beautiful to look at, and soft to touch: so give her back to me again.” So Twashtri said: “Very well,” and gave her back again. Then, after only three days, man came back to him again and said: “Lord, I know not how it is; but after all I have come to the conclusion that she is of more trouble than a pleasure to me, so please take her back again. But Twashtri said: “Out on you! Be off! I will have no more of this. You must manage how you can.” Then man said: “But I cannot live with her.” And Twashtri replied: “Neither could you live without her,” and he turned his back on man and went on with his work. Then man said: “What is to be done? for I cannot live either with her or without her.”—*The Spiritualist*.

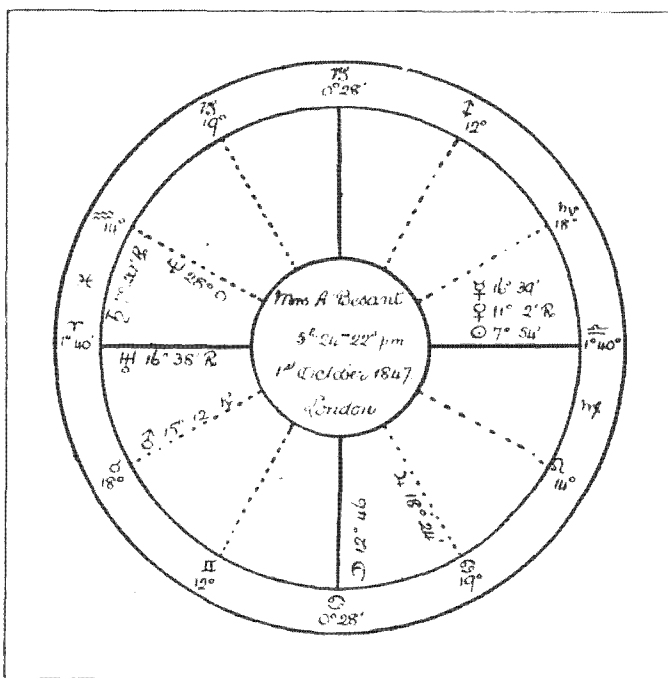
# Horoscopes of Notable Women.

MRS. ANNIE BESANT.

**M**RS. Annie Besant, the Head of the Theosophical Society, was born, according to her own statement, at 5.20 p.m. on October 1st, 1847, "within the sound of Bow Bells." Rectified by primary directions and the Epoch gives 5.24 22 p.m. for the exact time, for which the horoscope is drawn. The sign Aries was rising, with Uranus therein, Mars on the cusp of the second, Moon in the fourth, Jupiter in the fifth, Sun, Mercury and Venus in the seventh, Saturn and Neptune in the twelfth. The rising position of Uranus confers independence of mind, love of the marvellous, a disregard for convention and orthodox opinion, and gives a romantic, wayward, and cosmopolitan nature. The individuality is refined, kind, sociable and humanitarian, with plenty of balance and internal harmony. The personality is more of an emotional type, much affected by environment and surroundings, given to many changes of residence, unsettlement, especially at the latter part of life.

The airy and watery triplicities are well occupied, four planets being in the former and three in the latter, indicating a mental emotional temperament, but the chief point

of influence lies in the position of six planets in cardinal signs, and cardinal signs on the angles. This gives, fame, a high reputation, much activity, business ability, ambition, perseverance, a reformative tendency, executive ability, love of responsibility, command and leadership. Our subject's well-known oratorical abilities are shown by the position of Mercury in a "vocal sign" above the earth, conjoined with Venus, which gives eloquence and poetic expression, while Mars in the second house, which is said to govern language, gives that strength of voice and command of language so well-known as special talents of our subject. We will now look at some of the chief events in the past life, and then at the near future. At the age of five, the father died. The Asc. was conjoined Uranus at this time.



Sun square Moon and Moon, opposition Saturn. Marriage at the age of 20, took place under Asc. sextile Jupiter, direct, and Asc. sextile Venus converse. In May 1889, Mrs. Besant joined the Theosophical Society. The Sun was then in trine to Jupiter, Venus was conjoined to the Sun's radical place, and Mercury has reached the cusp of the ninth house in sextile to Venus, while the Moon was passing over radical M.C. In addition,

the Meridian was in trine to Venus, and the Asc. sextile to Uranus.

At the present time some important beneficial influences are forming. In 1909 the Sun is in sextile to Uranus, while the Moon is conjoined with the Sun, Venus and Mercury, in the horoscope and sextile the pro-

gressed Sun. The Sun is also close to the parallels of Jupiter, R. and P., coming to the trine of Uranus, R. and P., sextile of Mercury R. All these point to much honour and success, popularity, and benefits and success in the work in which she is engaged.

## Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

JANUARY, 1909.

1	9 8 26	Ask favours, deal with superiors, start new undertakings and push affairs. A good day for starting the New Year well.
2	22 53	Attend to business and correspondence in the morning; act discreetly in the afternoon and avoid quarrels.
3	6 11 6	<i>Sunday.</i> An uncertain day.
4	19 7	An unfavourable day. Superiors may be approached in the afternoon, but actions must be discreet.
5	1 55	A good day for new undertakings, but not for health.
6	14 31	Attend to business and important affairs in the morning; evil for all purposes after this hour.
7	26 56	Avoid misunderstandings with others in the morning. In the afternoon attend to business, push affairs, sign papers and deal with martial people.
8	9 10	The influences are doubtful. Attend entertainments and parties in the evening.
9	21 15	During the midday hours—11 to 2, deal with women. In the evening attend to social duties and enjoyment.
10	3 12	<i>Sunday.</i> A day for rest and devotion.
11	15 5	Attend to business, buy and speculate, travel and remove. The evening is good for pleasure and dances.
12	26 57	Deal with superiors, ask favours and push business, but avoid women.
13	8 51	This is a doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties and avoid disputes.
14	20 51	Avoid superiors, make no changes, and act very discreetly.
15	3 4	An uncertain day. Do nothing important.
16	15 32	Ask favours, seek employment, travel and remove before 4 p.m.
17	28 22	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel and visit friends.
18	11 35	Avoid quarrels and disputes in the morning. Attend to correspondence afternoon, but be careful in dealing with others.
19	25 16	An unfavourable day for all purposes.
20	9 22	Act discreetly in the morning and avoid correspondence. Push business and ask favours between 2 and 8 p.m.
21	23 52	The morning is unfavourable, there being slight danger of disputes. The evening is good for parties and courting.
22	8 41	Push affairs, seek work, deal with elderly people and attend to important matters in morning. Avoid quarrels and disputes.
23	23 39	An unimportant day. Attend only to ordinary matters.
24	8 39	<i>Sunday.</i> Not a good day. Visit friends in afternoon, but avoid quarrels.
25	23 31	A good day generally. Attend to business and important matters in the morning.
26	8 8	A good day for dealing with elderly people, superiors, and for making changes before 4 p.m. After this hour safeguard the health and avoid women.
27	22 24	Attend to business and correspondence in morning and evening.
28	6 19	Avoid superiors, act discreetly in dealings with others all day. Attend to correspondence and study in the evening.
29	19 52	Travel and remove early morning. Be careful in money matters.
30	3 5	An unfortunate day. Avoid parties and women. Ask favours and deal with elders in evening.
31	16 0	<i>Sunday.</i> An unfortunate day. Avoid quarrels and company.

# Birthday Influences during January.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, △ ☉, △ ♀, \* ♀. A favourable birthday, improvement of position, social and financial benefits, and gain through superiors. A child born on this day will rise in life, be popular, successful in business and have a prosperous career.

2. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♋, △ ♄, △ ♀, ♄ ♂. A changeable year, danger of disputes and quarrels, trouble through superiors and in employment. A child born on this day will be original, wayward and rather erratic, will be rashly inclined and in danger of losses through litigation.

3. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♄ in ♋, \* ♃. Not a good birthday, danger of disputes with others, unfavourable changes, but benefits through elders. A child born on this day will be rash and irritable, will benefit in employ and through the help of elderly people.

4. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♄ in ♋, □ ♀, ♄ ♀. A very unfavourable anniversary, losses, trouble through others and many unpleasant changes. A child born on this day will be unfortunate in life, should always remain in employ, be very careful in money matters and in dealings with the other sex.

5. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♄ in ♋, □ ♃, ☉ △ ♀. A favourable birthday for position, denoting promotion and some success but family troubles are shown and indisposition. A child born on this day will rise in life, and obtain popularity, and esteem, but will have many drawbacks and should safeguard his health.

6. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♄ in ♋, ♄ ☉, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♀, \* ♀. An evil anniversary, danger of indisposition, loss of employment, and many unpleasant changes, but help is shown through friends. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle through life, many obstacles to contend against, but will gain through friends.

7. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♄ in ♋, △ ♂, ♄ ♀. An unfavourable year, losses, troubles and perplexities, some changes and gain through business, but danger of reversals. A child born on this day will be energetic, enterprising, and active, will gain in employment, but is in danger of heavy losses and serious reversals.

8. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♄ in ♋, △ ♃, ☉ ♀. A favourable year, courtship or marriage, many beneficial changes and improvement of position. A child born on this day will be successful in life, will gain through the opposite sex, elderly people and in employment.

9. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♋, △ ♀. A fairly good year, benefits through females, but some danger of disputes and troubles. A child born on this day will be active and energetic, inclined to rashness, but will gain through the opposite sex, and social matters.

10. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♄ in ♋, □ ♂, A quiet year generally, several minor troubles and worries, but much activity of mind and body. A child born on this day will be quick, clever and energetic, inclined to be rash and impulsive, and should always remain in employ.

11. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♄ in ♋, ♄ ♀, △ ♄, \* ♀. A successful year, changes and improvement in position, gain in business, social and financial benefits and success. A child born on this day will rise in life through business ability, and will have a more or less successful career, with popularity and social success.

12. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♄ in ♋, △ ☉, \* ♂, □ ♀. A good year, benefits in employ, success in affairs, some gain, but grief or bereavement. A child born on this day will be active and energetic, successful in business, but will suffer through the other sex, and incur some discredit.

13. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♄ in ♋, ♄ ♃, △ ♀. An unfavourable birthday, many little worries and troubles, danger of indisposition and bereavement; success in business. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, but will have a hard struggle in life, health often proving a drawback.

14. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♄ in ♋, □ ☉, ♄ & ♄. An evil year, illhealth, unfavourable changes and loss of employment. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle in life, have much to contend with, and may end his days in poverty.

15. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♄ in ♋, \* ♀. A quiet year on the whole, benefits through the opposite sex. A child born on this day will have a quiet career, and will gain in employ and through females.

16. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♋, △ ♀, \* ♄, \* ♀, □ ♀. A good year generally, gain and promotion in employ, social and financial benefits, and some favourable changes. A child born on this day will rise in life, be original and inventive, and gain success and approval from all.

17. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♄ in ♋, \* ☉, ☉ ♀. A variable year, danger of indisposition and litigation, success in new undertakings, and gain through superiors. A child born on this day will be energetic and enterprising, inclined to be rash and impulsive, will be successful in business and gain through superiors.

18. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♄ in ♋, △ ♃, □ ♀, ♄ ♂, \* ♀. A changeable year, indisposition, danger of disputes and financial loss, but benefits through superiors and in employment. A child born on this day will be rash and hot-tempered, be liable to accidents and disputes, also of law, but will gain in the service of others and in mental employments.

19. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿ ♄. A quiet year, some financial troubles, but benefits through the other sex. A child born on this day will have a quiet career, should always remain in employ, and be discreet in dealings with others.

20. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿ ☿, ☿ ♄, ☿ ♄. A changeable year, grief and indisposition, danger of bereavement, success and promotion in employ and gain through the other sex. A child born on this day will be fairly successful in life, will be unlucky in marriage and in danger of disgrace through the opposite sex. He should always remain in employ.

21. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿. A fairly successful year, some unfavourable changes, but benefits socially and financially. A child born on this day will be rather wayward and erratic, but will gain in artistic and refined employments.

22. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿. A very successful year, benefits in employment, success through superiors and elders, but some slight danger of indisposition or accident. A child born on this day will rise in life, and be more than ordinarily successful, will gain in employ, or in business, but should guard against eccentricities of conduct and disputes with others.

23. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿. A generally favourable day, benefits and success in business or employ but many little worries and annoyances. A child born on this day will do well in employ of others, but should act discreetly in matters to do with letters and the signing of papers.

24. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿. A changeable year, some gains and losses, danger of law and quarrels, but benefits in business and through superiors. A child born on this day will be rash and impetuous, extravagant, and should always remain in the employ of others, through whom he will gain.

25. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿. A generally successful, but otherwise quiet, year, benefits through superiors and in employment. A child born on this day will have a successful career, and will gain in business or employment.

26. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿. A good year, with success in work and employment, some danger of indisposition, but many benefits and much success in affairs. A child born on this day will be successful in life, be active and energetic, but his health may at times suffer, and there will be some selfish inclinations.

27. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿. A changeable year, some gain in business, but unpleasant changes and annoyances. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, but abrupt and irritable, will have money and legal troubles to combat.

28. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿. An unfavourable year, danger of bereavement or grief, loss of position and trouble through superiors. A child born on this day will be careless and untidy, have trouble in employment and will do well never to undertake work on own responsibility.

29. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿. A good year, social and financial benefits, improvement of position but danger of law and financial disasters. A child born on this day will be extravagant and over generous, will gain through others, be artistic and original, and should have a fair amount of success provided litigation is avoided.

30. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿. An unfavourable year, much trouble in domestic matters and danger of disgrace to single women. A child born on this day will be unruly and rash, be involved in trouble with the opposite sex, and if a female will have much unhappiness in marriage.

31. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿, ☿ ☿. A changeable year, gain through employment, but financial losses, disputes and danger of litigation, many unpleasant changes and much trouble. A child born on this day will be rash and extravagant, always involved in legal troubles and financial difficulties, and should always remain in employ.

## Curative Magnetism.

A MOST remarkable case has been brought before me shewing the wonderful powers of curative magnetism. Mr. A's wife was a martyr to fits, having as many as three in one week. One day, after a seizure, she found that her eyesight had totally gone, and at once placed herself under a local doctor, by whom she was treated, with the result that a considerable time later she was advised to go into hospital to be operated upon. At this juncture Mr. A. happened to meet a Mr. Edwards, who in course of conversation said, "You have something on your mind?" to which he replied "Yes, I am a bit worried," and then he told him about his wife. Mr. Edwards at once said, "Instead of sending her to hospital, bring her round to me this afternoon. I will soon bring her sight back again." Mr. A. accordingly took his wife round that afternoon, when Mr. Edwards made mesmeric passes over her and sent her to sleep for half-an-hour. Then making the demesmeric passes she awoke with eyesight restored. The following week she had another fit and lost her sight again. For a second time she was taken to Mr. Edwards, who went through the same treatment, with the same result. "Now," said Mr. Edwards, "bring her to me next week and I will give her a thorough magnetising." So on the following day week she again visited Mr. Edwards, who put her into a mesmeric sleep for two hours, with result that she has never since that day had a fit and her eyesight has never failed her. This occurred some 15 years ago, so that it is a good test; and I have this story from the lips of her husband. All are alive to-day except the doctor, who, I may say, at once washed his hands of the case.—A.R.

# Mental and Moral Aspects of Sleep--II.

By JOHN SHEPPARD.

**H**AVING thus adverted to theories which materialists have raised, or of which they have availed themselves, on this subject, but which appear to be without any solid foundation of fact,—I proceed to offer some illustrations of the *rapidity* of thought as evinced in dreams.

A signal one, drawn necessarily from his personal experience, is given by Lord Brougham in his "Discourse of Natural Theology." He adduces it to show, "the prodigiously long succession of images that pass through the mind" (in sleep) "with perfect distinctness and liveliness, in an instant of time." "Let any one," he writes, "who is extremely overpowered with drowsiness—as after sitting up all night, and sleeping none the next day—lie down, and begin to dictate: he will find himself falling asleep after uttering a few words, and he will be awakened by the person who writes repeating the last word, to show that he has written the whole; not above five or six seconds may elapse, and the speaker will find it at first quite impossible to believe that he has not been asleep for hours, and will chide the amanuensis for having fallen asleep over his work, so great apparently will be the length of the dream which he has dreamt, extending through half a life-time. This experiment is easily tried: again and again the sleeper will find his endless dream renewed: and he will be always able to tell in how short a time he must have performed it. For suppose eight or ten seconds required to write the four or five words dictated, sleep could hardly begin in less than four or five seconds after the effort of pronouncing the sentence; so that at the utmost, not more than four or five can have been spent in sleep. But indeed the greater probability is, that not above a single second can have been so passed; for a writer will easily finish two words in a second; and suppose he has to write four, and half the time is consumed in falling asleep, one second only is the duration of the dream, which yet seems to last for years, so numerous are the images that compose it."

Dr. Abercrombie tells us, "A friend of mine dreamt that he crossed the Atlantic and spent a fortnight in America. In embarking on his return he fell into the sea, and having awoke with the fright, discovered that he had not been asleep above ten minutes." He also cites the following case from Dr. Gregory: "A gentleman, after sleeping in a damp place, was for a long time liable to a feeling of suffocation when he slept in a lying posture; and this was always accompanied by a dream of a skeleton which grasped him by the throat. He could sleep in a sitting posture without any uneasy feeling; and after trying various expedients, he at last had a sentinel placed beside him, with orders to awake him whenever he sank down. On one occasion he was attacked by the skeleton, and a severe and long struggle ensued before he awoke. On finding fault with his attendant for allowing him to lie so long in

such a state of suffering, he was assured that he had not lain an instant, but had been awakened the moment he began to sink."

Lavater states, in a work which I think is not translated, "Many examples are known to me from personal observation, where sick persons who had waked after slumbering a few moments only, could hardly be persuaded that they had not slept for successive hours; because, they said, they had had dreams of surprising length, had been in this and that place, gone through this and that transaction, heard such and such things, answered in such and such a manner."

Archbishop Whately, in his lectures to the parishioners of Halesworth, observes: "It must have occurred to most of you, that now and then a long series of events, such as would occupy several weeks or months, and such as could not even be described in a day's time, will be presented to the mind, and will appear to pass, in a sleep of perhaps less than an hour."

Professor Stewart adverts to this very different "estimate" of time in dreaming; "an inaccuracy" (such is his phrase) "which sometimes extends so far as to give to a single instant the appearance of hours or perhaps of days." But he does not judge it necessary to suppose "the rapidity of thought greater than while we are awake." "For" (he affirms) "the rapidity of thought is, at all times, such, that in the twinkling of an eye, a crowd of ideas may pass before us, to which it would require a long discourse to give utterance; and transactions may be conceived, which it would require days to realise."

It is indeed surprising, how greatly the succession of ideas can be accelerated by a peculiar stimulant. An Indian drug (not opium) was once prescribed for myself, by way of experiment whether it might prove useful as a soporific. But it excited a train of suggestions and inferences the swiftness of which I could not have deemed possible. Although these very quickly vanished from memory, there was gained from them an entirely new notion of the rate at which some philosophers and orators may think. On the other hand, while pain of the head which followed, warned me against a second use of so stimulating a medicine, I had procured perhaps the farther evil of some increased discontent with my own wonted footpace of cogitation:—as railways make us impatient of old-fashioned vehicles and pedestrian tours.

Yet this acceleration of thought was no more to be compared to what takes place, without any stimulus, in dreams, than the speed of an "express train" to that of an electric telegraph.

What may be the future and ultimate rapidity of thought, as acting in its most refined and perfect vehicle, we can have no present knowledge: but by the exterior and mortal organs of our present bodily system it appears to be retarded. Length of time, in

our ordinary waking state, is requisite to the formation or recollection of a number of ideas; and the more, in proportion to the defects of the individual's organization, or health.

The only probable way, as I conceive, of accounting for the extreme rapidity of thought in dreams, is to suppose some partial disconnection or liberation of the mind in sleep, from those grosser organs which are the media of its action while we wake.

This opinion seems to have been approached (though not definitely expressed) by the distinguished Addison, when he remarks that "Dreams may give us some idea of the great excellency of a human soul, and some intimation of its independency of matter."

He adds, "when their organs of sense want their due repose and necessary reparations, and the body is no longer able to keep pace with that spiritual substance to which it is united, the soul exalts herself in her several faculties, and continues in action till her partner is again qualified to bear her company.—Dreams look like the relaxations and amusements of the soul when she is disencumbered of her machine; her sports and recreations when she has laid her charge asleep.—Dreams are an instance of that agility and perfection which is natural to the faculties of the mind when they are disengaged from the body. The soul is clogged and retarded in her operations when she acts in conjunction with a companion that is so heavy and unwieldy in its motions; but in dreams it is wonderful to observe with what sprightliness and alacrity she exerts herself."

Lord Brougham well observes, "The mind's independence of matter, and capacity of existence without it, appears to be strongly illustrated by whatever shews the entire dissimilarity of its constitution. The inconceivable rapidity of its operations is perhaps the most striking feature of the diversity; and there is no doubt that this rapidity increases in proportion as the interference of the senses—that is, the influence of the body—is withdrawn. Facts, chiefly drawn from the phenomena of dreams, throw a strong light upon this subject, and seem to demonstrate the possible disconnection of mind and matter." And in another place, "Nothing can be conceived better adapted than these facts to satisfy us, that the nature of the mind is consistent with its existence apart from the body."

We may readily allow the judgment of Professor Stewart to be correct, that while "certain general laws of association," which regulate the train of our waking thoughts, also operate during sleep, the will has then no power of "stopping the train," or "diverting the current of thought into a new channel." We fully admit also that these laws of association include material as well as spiritual influences. That dreams are very frequently suggested by bodily sensations, there is abundant proof.

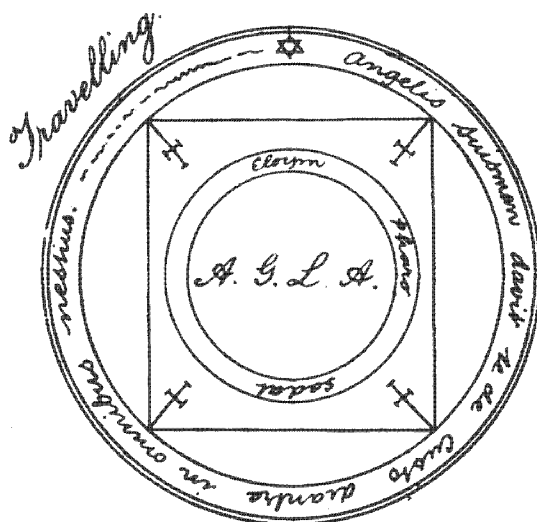
Thus a manuscript of the eminent Dr. Gregory of Edinburgh, "mentions of himself, that having gone to bed with a vessel of hot water at his feet, he dreamt of walking up the crater of Mount Etna, and of feeling the ground warm under him. He had early in life visited Vesuvius, and actually felt a strong sensation of warmth in his feet, when walking

up the side of the crater; but the dream was of Etna, of which he had only read Brydone's description."

Cases of this kind are frequent and familiar, but none of the foregoing facts or considerations is adapted to *explain* the immense *celerity* of thought in dreams. This must remain, I apprehend, wholly unaccounted for, except by the supposition already glanced at,—that the mind then acts not by its exterior organisations, but either apart from all organs, or (which to me seems far more probable) by that highly refined *interior* organisation, to which, during sleep, the torpor of the visible and tangible organs permits a freer agency, *somewhat* like what may take place when the mortal frame is dissolved.

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FIG. 1.

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or Mansions of the Heavens.  
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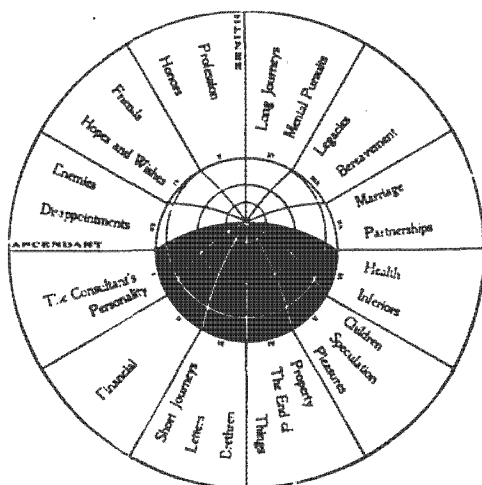


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commence the study of Astrology? Should I take lessons, or study from books? If the latter, with what books should I start?"

### COMMENCE WITH BOOKS, DECIDEDLY.

The first part of this question is very simply answered, for until a certain amount of elementary knowledge has been obtained from text-books, the time and energy of any teacher worthy the name would merely be thrown away in attempting instruction.

Hence the latter portion of the question is the only one that concerns us at present. When once the preliminary details have been mastered, and essential principles thoroughly grasped so that they become fixed habits of thought, the budding student can then betake himself for further instruction to what master he will, with the certainty of being able to profit by his teaching. If on the other hand he should not desire personal instruction, or be unable to afford it, he can then pursue his studies in any quarter towards which his sympathies may incline, without fear of bewilderment, misunderstanding, or disappointment,

### WELL BEGUN IS HALF DONE.

We can see, then, that it is most important to make a *correct start* in this no less than in other branches of knowledge, for mistakes at the outset of one's studies are likely to become habitual errors difficult to remove.

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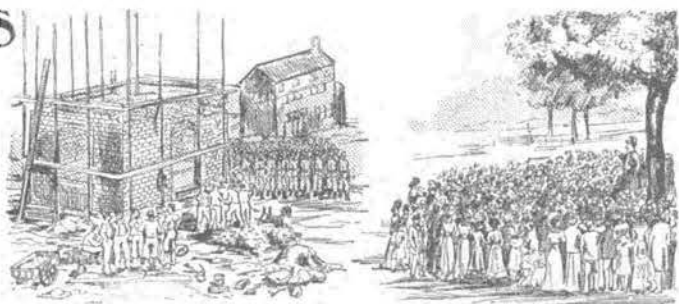
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# OLD MOORE'S

## Monthly Outlook and Forecast



FEBRUARY, 1909.

### The New Moon.

The lunation of the 22nd January takes place in the fourth house of the horoscope, the luminaries applying to the sextile of both Mars and Saturn. This augurs well for the country generally, and also for the landed interest, as well as bringing much power to the Opposition in Parliament. Venus ruler of the map is in square to Saturn, an augury of much poverty and illness, and is also evil for railways, post office and publishing people. Mars in the second in trine to Saturn is good for the revenue, though expenditure will run very high, probably on naval and military affairs. The affliction of the ruler of the eighth is an indication of much mortality among the fair sex, and denotes the demise of some popular writer or authoress. Neptune in the ninth is evil for shipping affairs, and denotes much sedition and trouble in the Colonies, especially South Africa. Jupiter in the eleventh house is a good augury for Parliamentary matters, measures affecting the working classes being brought forward, but as Jupiter is retrograde, there is not much prospect of their becoming law. Religious and financial disputes are likely, and much fluctuation on 'Change, for Mars approaches the square of Jupiter. Venus ruling the twelfth house in square to Saturn points to much crime against women, outrages and murders, and is an evil augury for workhouses and institutions. A railway tragedy is to be apprehended.

### United States.

At Washington, the lunation falls in the sixth house, with Mars in the fourth, and Saturn in the eighth. Jupiter is on the cusp of the second house benefitting the revenue, but as Mars is nearly in square aspect thereto, a financial panic is threatened at the end of January. Venus in the fifth house in square to Saturn shows much crime against women and children, increase of infant mortality, and a heavy death-rate. In the 58th degree of W. Longitude, Mars will be on the nadir, warning the authorities in towns in that locality to beware of fires.

### Europe.

At Berlin, Mars is closer to the cusp of the second house, denoting heavy expenditure in naval and military matters, and financial troubles. At St. Petersburg, Jupiter is in the tenth house, benefitting the Czar and Government. Financial matters, however, will still be in a bad way. A railway accident is threatened in Central Europe. Turkey will benefit from the position of Jupiter in her ruling sign, especially as this planet is elevated above all the heavenly bodies at the moment of New Moon. Spain will suffer from the position of Mars, riots and financial troubles being denoted. Religious troubles are also indicated. Russia should benefit from this lunation.

### The Stock Exchange.

We never advise options or anything on the cover system; these are inventions simply for the benefit of Stock Exchange professionals and outside dealers; always take stocks off the market and thus help your own dealing. Banks lend liberally on stocks that we advise. Buy in February Brazilian Gov. Stocks for choice, West Muias 5 per cent. and the 1907 5 per cent. loan; the latter especially will rise some points; it now pays about  $5\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. at current price. Another S. A. Stock is Uruguay Con. Loan 1905, which pays about  $5\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. and you get quarterly payments. We are glad to know that many subscribers have done so well. The Brewery Shares as advised last month are still good to buy while the scare is on; buy debentures. Leave Yankee Rails for buying till next panic—perhaps November. South African mines are cheap to hold for at least three months. All purchases should be lifted off the market supply. Remember: No cover, no options; but wait, and profit is sure.

## Almanack Predictions

FOR FEBRUARY, 1909.

### Raphael.

Much want and privation in the land, sickness and mortality among the fair sex. Some artist or writer dies. Exchequer returns augmented, but expenditure on naval and military matters heavy. Dissatisfaction and unrest will be shown in railways and postal affairs, depreciation of stocks. Weather likely to be very cold. Children and young people will benefit, but disputes over education and religion will continue. Epidemic disorders, influenza and cerebral complaints. South African and Indian affairs seethe with perplexities. Legislation affecting the working classes, but little chance of much result therefrom.

### Zadkiel.

A martial pageant in London. Troubles, and anarchist violence in Spain. Benefits to Switzerland and Turkey. Saturn in

Aries detrimental to British trade, and to the harmony of the House of Commons. The British Government will exhibit a variable mood, and there will be the likelihood of a change or split in the Cabinet. The last ten days of the month will be marked by advancement in art and science. Schools and theatres will gain and the birth-rate increase.

### Orion.

Interest in farming matters, more provision and better facilities for the masses of the unemployed in the cultivation of the land. Legislation affecting the landed interest brought forward. Chronic complaints; influenza and rheumatism prevalent. Bad time for naval affairs. Indian affairs unsettled. Good deal of expenditure on naval and military affairs. Heavy storms and gales likely, shipping matters suffer.

### Old Moore.

Railways in a bad state, but King and ruling powers strong. Much want in some large cities. Much cruelty to women and children is forecasted, hospitals in want of funds. A leading statesman will be struck down suddenly. Military in a bad odour. Loss of a battleship; foreign ruler in danger; destructive fire; terrible railway disaster.

### Francis Moore.

Much privation and want, illhealth, cerebral affections and influenza. Beneficial measures, affecting the public health and working classes generally. Revenue strong, receipts being good, but expenditure very heavy on armaments and naval requirements. Railways and postal service bad, complications and double dealing with the Colonies. Death of a noted lady novelist or artist. Much mortality among women.

### Raphael's Prediction Fulfilled.

It is interesting to note that amongst all the astrological forecasts for the year 1909 "Raphael's Prophetic Messenger" is the only publication which referred to the terrible earthquake that darkened the close of the old and the opening of the new year. The prediction is couched in the following terms (page 69) under the heading of "General Predictions" for the Winter quarter, commencing December 22nd, 1908. "In the tenth degree of E. Longitude, Saturn will be exactly in the Lower Meridian denoting a disastrous earthquake."

# Astronomical Phenomena

FOR FEBRUARY, 1909.

## The Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	5th	...	8h. 25m. morn.
Last Quarter,	13th	...	0h. 47m. aft.
New Moon,	20th	...	10h. 52m. morn.
First Quarter,	27th	...	2h. 49m. morn.

## Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN in Aquarius enters Pisces on 19th at 6.39 a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY an evening star in Aquarius first part of month; ☿ ☉ on 11th; morning star rest of month.
- ♀. VENUS a morning star all the month. In Capricorn until 9th; enters Aquarius on that day.
- ♂. MARS a morning star all month. In Sagittarius till 24th, then enters Capricorn.
- ♃. JUPITER an evening star in Virgo all the month.
- ♄. SATURN an evening star in Aries all the month.
- ♅. URANUS in Capricorn all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE in Cancer all month; well placed for observation.

☾. The table below shows the days on which the Moon occupies the several signs of the Zodiac.

22, 23	Aries	9, 10, 11	Libra
24, 25, 26	Taurus	12, 13	Scorpio
1, 27, 28	Gemini	14, 15	Sagittarius
2, 3	Cancer	16, 17	Capricorn
4, 5, 6	Leo	18, 19	Aquarius
7, 8	Virgo	20, 21	Pisces

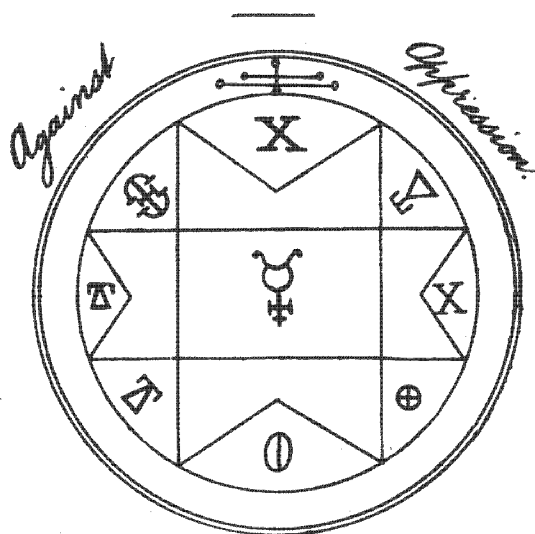
## The Weather.

The weather during the month will be more settled, variable about 2nd, 4th, and 8th. High winds, storms, 11th and 16th;

changeable about the end of month. The Sun remains in the sextile of Mars from the 1st to 24th, hence the month is likely to be warmer.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

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## Spiritualism Discussed at a Christmas Gathering.

By A. R. OSSITER.

**W**HILST visiting a friend's house at Christmas, I saw on the table a copy of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER, and, on picking it up, was asked if I had read the article entitled "An Evening with a Spiritualist," I replied in the affirmative, and asked the person what he thought of it, this made the subject general. Some made fun and laughed, but I must say the majority were interested and, like Oliver, wanted more.

An aged lady in the company told us there was no doubt as to a spirit world. She then went on to tell how that some 12 years ago she had lost her youngest and dearest son, which naturally was a great grief to her. Some two years after his death she was opening the door of a cupboard situated on a landing, when to her amazement there stood her dead son. The shock to her was great, and she immediately shut the door; but on recovering she was eager to see him again in order that she might speak to him, and so looked into the cupboard again; but he was not there.

Every day she went to that cupboard, and many times a day, but he never came; and so it went on until she used to go to the cupboard as usual without a thought, when one day he suddenly re-appeared. This time she kept her presence of mind and said, "My Son; My Son; tell me: Are you happy?" the reply came, "Quite happy, mother. I can't stop." And with this he vanished.

After this he often came, sometimes speaking a few words, at other times saying nothing, but he never appeared anywhere except in this one cupboard.

I can vouch for this being a true story, as I have known the lady for many years and can truthfully say she would deceive no one.

After this the conversation drifted into other channels, but I hope before long to have another talk with this dear old lady, and if I can only thaw her into telling me

some more of her experiences I will give them to the readers of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER. I use the word "thaw" as she is not at all fond of talking about these things, and why she volunteered on this occasion is a mystery.

As a sequel to the article above referred to, we have been favoured by a reader with particulars of a seance attended by himself and a circle of friends at which manifestations of a very similar character to those already reported took place. One item, however, referred to by him is of such an interesting nature that we take the liberty of making the following quotation from his letter.

"One very convincing item occurred. A little spirit daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T., made her appearance and wished her mother many happy returns of the day, it being Mrs. T's birthday. At this point I must add that one of the sitters (Miss. H.) was wearing a bunch of flowers that were removed from her chest, by the spirit 'Joey,' to the opposite side of the table and placed in my hand; but, as I had no desire to hold them for the remainder of the evening, I placed them on the table in front of me. In a few moments, however, they were again removed, with an apology from 'Joey.' Their next appearance was in the hands of Mr. and Mrs. T's little spirit child, who played with them on the luminous slate and eventually handed them to her mother as a birthday gift. The sitters present agreed that it was very pretty."

Our correspondent, whose name and address will be gladly forwarded to those desiring to investigate, adds that he is willing to answer any inquiry respecting the details of his letter.

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# Astrology and Astrologers.

By LOUIS. E. JACKSON, Norfolk, Va., U.S.A.

**O**UR scientific friend asserts boldly there isn't any truth in astrology, because there isn't; and if you think there is, you are a silly hair-brain, and it is evident that you don't know anything. Any individual with an ounce of brains can tell you that!

If your fertility of imagination guide your thoughts into the field of inter-stellar mechanics you are, de facto, to be classed with the other visionaires who, but a few short years ago, dreamed of the possibility of transmitting sound across hundreds of miles of aerial space without a conductor; or likened unto the heretical Galileo, who dared to gainsay scriptural philosophy by asserting that the earth moves.

Sir Thomas Browne said: "There is more truth in astrology than in astrologers." Right! Lord Bacon believed in an "astrologia sana," and many other great philosophers and scientists have given the world their opinion that there *might* be much in a "well-regulated astrology." But, a well-regulated astrology is precisely what we have never had.

## The Spread of Astrology in the United States.

However, it is an undeniable fact that astrology is slowly but surely coming to the front in America. In the last ten years it has been persistently insinuating its way into the minds of the people in general, and into the minds of thinkers in particular. Prior to the middle of the last decade one seldom heard mention of the subject. Little notice was accorded it in the popular press, still less in the scientific; here and there a dab of printer's ink was begrudgingly used either for or against its teachings, for the most part abortive attempts made by enthusiasts to foster periodicals devoted to astrological dissertation.

This state of affairs was the legitimate inheritance of the present generation from forbears who had pursued their ways in disdain and bigoted ignorance of the so-called science. Somewhere back in the fifties or sixties the Government had been induced to appropriate a sum of money to finance an investigating committee whose duty it was to undertake to discover what truth, if any, there is in the bruited claims of astrology.

The prime concern of these wise-acres was to learn what influence the Moon has on the weather. Like the scientific know-alls described by Wilson in the preface to his "Dictionary of Astrology," they were predetermined to sell their prejudices as dearly as possible and to be convinced at no less price than some of those "tremendous convulsions of nature which took place at the demolition of Friar Bacon's brazen head." The Government never considered the practicability of nominating one individual for this committee who possessed a working knowledge of the subject.

Had the committee been more concerned with truth, and less with orthodoxy, they might have

learned something. As it was, they jumped to a conclusion and neither added to their own store of knowledge nor sanctioned that desirable acquisition on the part of anyone who might, in after times, conceive a greater love for astrological research than they themselves had. Hence, the dictum has been preached in college and school in America, "Except the sun, the moon is the only heavenly body which exerts the slightest influence upon the affairs of human life. If the stars and planets were all extinguished, our eyes would miss them and that is all." (See C. A. Young's "Elementary Astronomy.")

When a thousand teachers of celestial science support this arbitrary, unwarranted statement in their daily contact with undeveloped minds, is it any wonder that astrology has laboured under a handicap of scepticism? History confirms that it takes a hundred years to uproot the errors of a single generation. Here we have the heresies of many; but the task of uprooting has evidently been begun in the main. For, some enterprising neophytes of a *kind* of astrology have waged a campaign of education in this country for ten years or more past.

True, for the beginning, no credit is due them when we regard their work in the light of pure educational intention. Their daily prayer has rather been that the multitude might not be vouchsafed any inner knowledge of the mysteries of astrology; yet, they have, by their very commercialism, unleashed the dogs of investigation without aiming to do it.

Were there fewer institutions of learning in the land; were there less of the spirit of advancement in knowledge of nature's wonderful laws, maybe these superstition-pirates would have done the same thing to astrology in the United States that their prototypes in the European field accomplished during the 17th and 18th centuries—put a wet blanket on the ardour of inquirers after hidden secrets.

## The Bogus Astrologer and his Success.

So, while the greatest factor in the creation of the new spirit of inquiry has been the bogus astrologer with his ready-made horoscopes, the point is, everywhere men and women have manifested an interest in the science; until the daily press and many periodicals have been quick to recognize the demand for "occult" reading and are catering to it in rapidly increasing quantity. Ten years ago the same publications would have scorned the suggestion of astrological copy. That there are a number of them printing such matter to-day is an indication that astrology is gaining a hearing which it has long been denied.

Naturally enough, thousands of unwary gullibles have been "stung" by the unprincipled barterers in common superstition, as is witnessed by the almost fabulous successes scored by several of the leading advertising fortune tellers, whose names have become

familiar to nearly every one who finds any interest in sooth-saying.

In the New England states, the hot-bed of occultism in this country, there are a score of so-called astrologers who place advertising copy with the daily, Sunday, weekly and monthly press on a national scale, which compares in volume with the advertising campaigns carried on by many corporations of six-figure capital. Scarcely a newspaper boasting a Sunday magazine section, or a publication that reaches the agricultural and feminine elements of our population, but presents at least one astrological advertisement which stares you out of countenance, announcing in cunningly worded terms that, for a two-cent stamp, you may have your destiny revealed from the cradle to the grave by "America's most celebrated and successful astrologer." Successful they certainly are; as four-, six-, and eight-story buildings mutely but eloquently testify to their reprehensible industry.

Other towns and cities besides those in New England are headquarters for "professors" of the same ilk, but they all operate along similar lines. That is, they ask two dollars, or one dollar, for a "reading" of your horoscope; and, if you hesitate at the price, they make a special reduction in your favour, "as the business is just about to be discontinued on account of poor health," and take whatever you will give—for a printed semblance of typewritten copy of what is purported to be your individual horoscope, calculated according to your birth date; which is but one of a thousand printed forms purchased from New York or Boston publishers at \$20.00 complete.

If the victim would but stop for a moment to consider that, in order to faithfully investigate the destiny of all the correspondents who answer those something-for-nothing advertisements, a "professor" would have to live nine hundred and sixty-four years, and work day and night, to keep pace with the demand for free horoscopes alone, if any labour were involved in the fulfilment of the offer; if the victim would consider this—well!

Advertisers carrying \$500.00 worth of copy per month (which is a conservative estimate of the monthly outlay made by "America's most celebrated astrologers") must earn a gross income of from \$15,000.00 to \$20,000.00 a year in order to net anything like what they must consider a profitable return for the necessary outlay involved in a national business. And this money is taken in at a dollar, or even fifty cents, a head. All the astrologers in the United States could not cast twenty thousand horoscopes faithfully in one year. But, reason is foreign to the superstitious; therefore, this speculation in figures on possibilities is a sheer waste.

#### Publicity is the Weapon of Defence.

Publicity, in these times of cheap printer's ink, is the panacea for both local and universal graft in every guise. Even the casual publicity being given to pettifogging astrologers is very effectual, having resulted in prison sentence for the grafter in several instances. The obvious cause of speedy justice being dealt those who have wholesomely come under the ban lies in the fact that they used the United States mails to carry on their get-rich-quick scheme.

It is an old maxim that the evil doer stands in perpetual dread of the law and its minions; this feeling of imminent danger is augmented in the same minds when they know that it is the national government with whom they have to contend. No more certain methods of inviting trouble can be imagined than the fraudulent use of the mails. Uncle Sam has shown on more than one occasion that he will spare absolutely no expense in prosecuting a federal malefactor; whereas, there is a comparatively low maximum set upon the amount of money any municipality or commonwealth is willing to spend for the prosecution of misdemeanours and minor felonies. As it is a difficult matter to reach the great number of people necessary to make the fake horoscope business a paying venture without the use of the mails, the evil carries its own penalty and ultimate remedy on its face.

There is a certain portion of our press which derives a benefit from the advertising of these impostors, that must be carried by the astrologer in conjunction with the subsequent written correspondence incident to the business. And, with them, the stressing of the illegality of fortune-telling by mail is an intolerable proposition, because they cannot be expected to kill the goose that lays golden eggs in their own proper baskets. Nevertheless, all the publications in a broad land are not desirous of the good will of rogues who thrive on the superstitious through the medium of cheap print; and while their voices are loud and commanding enough to be heard and respected in every corner of the United States, they sow the seeds of reform in every mind they do reach. The outcome of which will be the same as if every magazine and journal in America were waging the virtuous battle, in view of the Government's readiness to ever step in and lend a helping hand in the suppression of an incipient evil.

In pursuance of the general conviction, in the minds of executive and legislative officials, that fake astrologers and mystic fortune tellers are becoming perniciously active in duping the ignorant on a wholesale scale, there has been for some time a movement on foot to secretly investigate the operations of the principal offenders, looking to the suppression of the fortune telling business in toto.

In justice to truth, exemplified by science in whatever domain, it is scarcely probable that any law will ever be passed which will make a felonious act of practicing astrology unselfishly. Still, there will be, as there ought to be, one passed, and that none too quickly, which will deny impostors the privilege to use the United States mails and the license to cheat the illiterate in any part of the land. The latter consideration can only be effected locally. Yet the time is not far distant when fortune tellers of every cult, operating as such, will find their calling beset with insurmountable difficulties, which are slowly but surely assuming tangible form at present.

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## CHAPTER V.

### SUCCESS.

Under the heading of the term "Success" we have to consider all matters relating to the finance, occupation, profession, employment and gain which comes through industry.

All these are judged from the triangle of the tenth, second and sixth houses, known astrologically, as the "Temporal Trigon," or the Triangle of Action or Worldly Success.

Taking each of these three houses separately, we have as follows:—Tenth house. Temporal dignity, comprising profession, honour, material position; second house. Temporal possession, comprising finance, industry, material wealth; sixth house. Temporal comfort, comprising employment, labour, and material profit.

We will now take the signification of each planet when in or ruling over the three houses.

Mercury in the tenth denotes a mercurial or intellectual profession, varying according to the sign occupied, it brings gain through all matters to do with the mind, intellect, etc., and the honour is of a variable nature, but depends upon the achievements in the life connected with the planet. If Mercury is afflicted, there are losses through scandal, libel, sharp practice, either on the part of, or against the native. If the nativity denotes it, the native may be a clever rogue or thief.

Venus brings a honorable reputation through art, music, things of a refined nature, success in Venusian occupations, in home and domestic and love affairs. If afflicted, there is loss through extravagance, carelessness, the native besmirches his reputation through connection with women, and comes to disgrace.

Mars in the tenth is sure to bring notoriety of some description, fame as a soldier, sailor, surgeon, ironmaker, but is sure to bring disgrace at some time, through recklessness

in the pursuit of an object. If afflicted, it brings disgrace through the passions and desires, he may obtain notoriety through connection with criminal case or legal action. Mars in the tenth in a female horoscope is sure to bring disgrace at some time of the life.

Jupiter in the tenth is the best position possible denoting honour and riches, high reputation, gain in superior professions, magistracy, judicial and clerical posts. In trade it is good for woollen manufacture, high class emporiums and the like. If afflicted, it brings loss and ruin through pomposity, high-handedness and vanity. It is also evil for legal affairs.

Saturn in the tenth is an evil position, but it brings a rise in life through persistent endeavour, ambition, perseverance and integrity, and if well aspected by the Sun is a very favourable influence, because it gives ability and permanency. When afflicted, it conduces to ruin, bankruptcy, loss of credit, etc. Ruin is often brought about by an inordinate ambition, and frequently it will be found that this position conduces to a steady rise to a high position, and then ultimate downfall and disgrace.

Uranus in the tenth is an unique position, and if well aspected will bring gain in professions of an advanced nature, electricity, telegraphy, astrology and metaphysics. The reputation is questionable, because the attainments are too far advanced for the majority to appreciate, and the native is more often than not looked upon as a crank, or imposter. When evilly-aspected it ruins the entire life, breaks up existing conditions, and frequently makes the native a castaway.

Neptune in the tenth is another unique position. It brings gain through occult and psychic arts, novel writing, painting and poetry, and music and the violin. Venus conjoined with Neptune in the tenth would bring world-wide fame as a musician, singer, or artist. But here again the reputation is

questionable. The general public fail to appreciate the gifts bestowed by such a position, often looking upon their exhibitions as claptrap and imposture. When evilly-aspected it is a horrible position, denoting ruin through vice, inversion of motives, swindling, company promoting, and the like. The native is frequently a moral and social castaway, a blot in the world, and often comes to a deplorable end.

These brief notes should serve for the judgment on the tenth house, but it is necessary to point out that when ruling

over the tenth, the sign and house position of each planet must be considered. For example, Jupiter ruling the tenth and placed in the ninth, would bring honour and reputation through ninth house affairs specially, or in the third through matters connected with this house. Uranus and Neptune are never rulers of the tenth, as they have no sign allotted to them. Their influence is then only considered when placed in the tenth.

In our next chapter we shall consider the other two houses.

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FEBRUARY, 1909.

1	28	♂ 41	Attend to business and correspondence in the morning, but be careful in dealings with superiors.
2	11	♂ 10	Attend to social matters and new undertakings before 4 p.m. Attend séances and entertainments in evening.
3	23	28	An evil day. Act discreetly and avoid women.
4	5	♂ 39	Deal with elderly people, and with important affairs before 3 p.m. Attend amusements evening.
5	17	44	A contradictory day. Do nothing important.
6	29	43	An unimportant day. Attend to ordinary matters.
7	11	♂ 38	Attend to social matters, new undertakings and important business affairs after 11 a.m. Travel and sign papers evening.
8	23	30	Avoid law and quarrelling in the morning. Start new work and attend to important affairs in the afternoon.
9	5	♂ 22	An evil day for all affairs.
10	17	16	Evil for all things until 4 p.m. Then start new undertakings, deal with superiors, sign papers and travel.
11	29	15	An unfavourable day. Attend only to pressing matters.
12	11	♂ 25	An active and successful day, new undertakings may be commenced, papers signed, superiors dealt with, and affairs pushed ahead.
13	23	48	Not an important day. Only ordinary duties to be attended to.
14	6	♂ 31	A good day for social, financial and business matters. Lawyers should be avoided.
15	19	37	A good day for business and correspondence, but travelling and disputes should be avoided and care taken in dealings with others.
16	3	♂ 11	An unfortunate day for all purposes.
17	17	14	Another evil day. Avoid travelling and act discreetly.
18	1	♂ 46	A contradictory day. Deal with elderly people in the evening.
19	16	42	A favourable day for social engagements and marriage.
20	1	♂ 55	A good day generally, especially for pleasure.
21	17	14	Attend to business matters in morning, travel and attend to important matters and new undertakings evening.
22	2	♂ 27	An evil day. Safeguard the health.
23	17	24	A contradictory day; do not travel, and avoid disputes.
24	1	♂ 58	An excellent day for business, social affairs, new undertakings. Deal with superiors, ask favours, and push business.
25	16	4	Be careful in correspondence in the morning, travel and engage in important undertakings before 8 p.m.
26	29	42	An unimportant day.
27	12	♂ 54	Attend to business and correspondence midday. Avoid disputes and strangers in the evening.
28	25	44	The influences are very contradictory. Do nothing important.

## How to Cast the Horoscope.\*

**By GEORGE WILDE.**

THE boy, Basil, was born at 9.33 a.m., November 30th, 1901, London. First obtain an Ephemeris for the year of birth. That for 1901 contains the sidereal time, 16h. 34m. at noon, Nov. 30th.

As the child was born 2h. 27m. before noon, this sum must be deducted from the sideral time, thus—

H.	M.
16	34
2	27
—	—
14	7

Reference to a table of houses will show that opposite 14h. 6m. 59s. (which is the nearest to 14h. 7m.) the fourth degree of  $\eta$  is transiting the meridian, or tenth house; that  $\eta$   $26^\circ$  is on the eleventh house; that  $\uparrow$   $13^\circ$  is on the twelfth house; that  $\uparrow$   $29^\circ$  is on the second house; that  $\approx$   $15^\circ$  is on the second house;  $\gamma$   $2^\circ$  is on the third house.

The opposite signs are :  $\delta 4^\circ$  on the

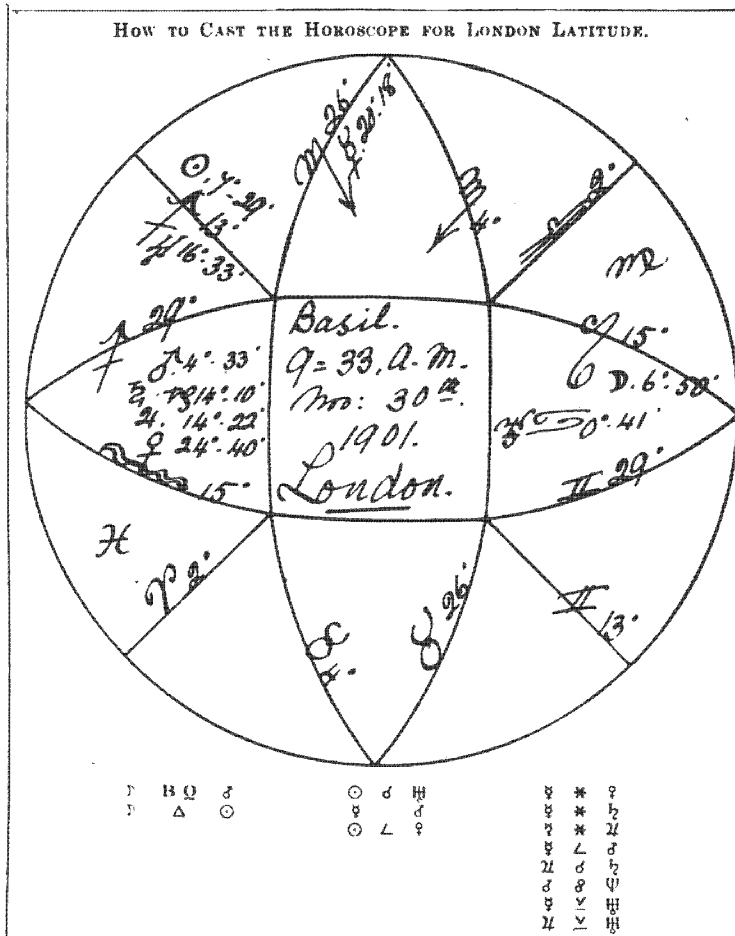
fourth house;  $\times$   $26^\circ$  on the fifth house;  $\pi$   $13^\circ$  on the sixth house;  $\cap$   $29^\circ$  on the seventh house ( $\varnothing$  is intercepted in the seventh house);  $\Omega$   $15^\circ$  on the eighth house ( $\text{☿}$  is intercepted in the eighth house);  $\sphericalangle$   $2^\circ$  on

the cusp of the ninth house; ♄ is intercepted in the first house, and ♀ is intercepted in the second house. As the Ephemeris for the year of birth gives the longitudes of the planets for each day at noon, the transposition of the planets from the Ephemeris to the horoscope is a very simple process. In the example horoscope of Basil, it will be seen that the Moon is in ♏; ☉ and ♀ in ♌, the

ascendant; ♂, ♀, ♄ and ♀ are in ♋ in the first house.

The Moon's longitude at noon was  $8^{\circ} 16'$   $\Omega$  : we made a deduction of  $1^{\circ} 26'$  from its longitude at noon, which is the distance travelled by the Moon in the 2h. 27m.

Had Basil been born after noon, the time



\*Mr. Wilde, the Author of "Natal Astrology," "Chaldean Astrology" and other works, has given us permission to reproduce this article, "How to Compute the Horoscope," which is Chapter III. in his "Primer of Astrology," published at 1/- by Foulsham & Co.

which had elapsed between noon and the birth would have had to be added to the sidereal time, to correctly cast the horoscope.

It will be seen that  $\Delta$  is in  $\Delta$  aspect to the  $\odot$ ; therefore Basil is sure to meet with prosperity in business.

## The Dangers of Plenty.

THERE was once a very rich old lady who one morning, on getting out of bed, found it so cold that she rang the bell and got back again. The bell was answered by her butler.

"Will you please light the fire, John? It is so awfully cold."

"Yes mum!" and John proceeded to do so.

"By-the-bye, John! you had better order several tons of coal to be distributed to the very poor people in the village; they must be *perished*."

"Yes, mum!"

"John! I will have breakfast in bed."

"Yes, mum!"

"And—John! You might also give those poor souls some beef and groceries. They must be very hungry."

"Yes, mum!"

John went downstairs to see about the breakfast. In the meantime her ladyship's room began to get warm, and by the time her breakfast arrived was very comfortable.

"John! I think, after all, it is not so *extremely* cold. Perhaps you had better not trouble about sending out the coal at present."

"Yes, mum!"

Her ladyship then proceeded with her breakfast. When perfectly satisfied she again rang for her attendant.

"John! I think it would be best not to distribute the beef and groceries—just yet. Really, the people cannot be very hungry."

And so her ladyship lay down, comfortably warmed and fed. And as she dozed, fitfully, visions of flickering flames in cottage grates, and tables covered with bounteous spread, surrounded by beaming faces of happy children and thankful parents, beguiled her fancy—while many in the village below, as the snow fell thick and fast, crept close to keep themselves warm and, huddled in draughty corners, wailed in agonies of hunger and cold.

Reader, beware lest the satisfaction of your own needs prove a stumbling block to your own natural kind-heartedness; and, when the cry of the poor and suffering reaches up to you, put out your hand and help—remembering the story of the lady who was so blinded by her own comforts as to lose her chance to bless others.

A. R.

## How to Study Astrology

(Continued).

### PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

And now as to suggestions for a practical course of study. Readers differ fully as much in their mental sympathies as in their personal tastes, and therefore it would be idle to attempt to lay down a fixed course for all, but one or two useful hints may be given.

The two preliminary Manuals, "The Rationale of Astrology" and "Everybody's Astrology," are written for those who have no previous acquaintance with the subject at all.\* While quite independent of each other, both are indispensable to a clear understanding of the first principles of Astrology, the former giving a bird's-eye view of the whole ground-work of the subject and the latter furnishing a means of practically applying elementary astrological knowledge to every-day life. The reader is therefore recommended to write for *both* of these Manuals at the very outset, and to read first whichever of the two makes the more direct appeal to him. The choice will vary according to temperament, so that it is impossible to say which should precede the other without first knowing the reader's individual tastes.

### THE NEXT STEP.

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# Science and the Supernatural.

**I**N last month's issue of this journal, I was allowed the privilege of laying before my readers certain personal reminiscences in connection with Hindoo Magic, and I took the occasion—and, perhaps, at the same time, some measure of liberty—to add a note, or observation, on the relation of that art to the Evolution of Science.

It is, perhaps, fitting that I should adopt, as the theme of the present article, an amplification of that note, because the note itself contains, in my humble opinion, the germ from which must spring, sooner or later, the inevitable conclusion, that, in the so-called Art of Magic, Spiritualism, and Supernaturalism we have, in the enlightened world of to-day, found vehicles, through which the great truths of Science are gradually becoming manifest to an age that is bent upon the discovery of Solutions.

The second half of the title of the present article is, to a great extent, a misnomer. The term "Supernatural" is rapidly crumbling in the alembic of approved Science. Not to speak of the scientific discoveries of earlier scientists; the achievements of the late Lord Kelvin, the late Professor Von Helmholtz, the Chevalier Marconi, Nikola Tesla, and Monsieur and Madame Curie, have, once and for all time, not only laid the ghost of incredulity, but have justified those of us, who have lived to witness the dawn of 1909, in expunging from our lexicons this word "Supernatural." If we allow it to remain, we do so only because we are loath to discard our English reverence for time-honoured customs and institutions. But the word can stand, hereafter, only as a polite tribute to Respectable Ignorance. There may be, there probably are, many who will regret the dissolution of the word, who will fall back on that ancient consolation, "Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise;" but to all such, the seeker after Truth and the searcher after Solution have but one rejoinder, and that is, "Live and learn;" clothe exploded fallacies with crape, if you will, but, in the name of Progress—which is only a synonym for Human Happiness, Human Improvement and Human Comfort—listen to the voices of the Spheres, which are waxing louder and louder round about us every year of our lives.

Now, in endeavouring to show that what have been known in the past, and in a majority of quarters are still known, as "Magic," "Spiritualism" and "Supernaturalism"—are, one and all, no more than transitory features in the Evolution of great Scientific Truths, just as we find transitory features in sociological, political and economic Evolution, I propose to deal with certain cases by way of illustration of the theory to which I stand committed. And, in quoting these cases, I desire to make, not in justice to myself, which is a matter of personal and, therefore, secondary importance; but, in justice to the matter itself, a few prefatory remarks.

I do not propose to form any definite conclusions.

Following the illustrious examples of Herbert Spencer, Lord Kelvin, Drummond, Hegel, Helmholtz, and other intellectual giants, too numerous to mention, who have, each in his day, led the world further and further into the mist-ridden realms of Science and, after so leading it, have one and all paid the debt of Nature, leaving as their valedictory the watchword, "Press on! we have brought you thus far: we may bring you no further; but, Press on! Press on!"—I say, following this matchless example, here are the cases; I place them in the light of Science, *as the light exists to-day*, and I leave it to the reader to decide how far each case squares with demonstrated and approved Science. I only ask that, in arriving at a decision, due regard shall be had for the marvellous acceleration of pace that has been attained in the development of Scientific facts and data, since the discovery of radium, imprisoned activities in matter, radiography (commonly known as "wireless telegraphy") and hypnotic suggestion.

The first case I shall take is one that has only forty-eight hours ago startled all England, and is one which, so far as can be at present determined, threatens to rouse us, as a people, out of our hard-headed slumbers of obstinate incredulity. I refer to the occurrences at East Rudham, Norfolk, on Saturday the 26th December and again on Tuesday the 29th. As the facts have been dealt with at some length by the daily journals, I shall relate them only in outline. Dr. Astley, the vicar of East Rudham, left England for Algiers on December 10th accompanied by his wife. They met with a railway accident in a tunnel near Mansourah, on the line between Algiers and Biskra. The doctor and his wife were both injured, and the former so seriously that, according to the last report, he was delirious. The accident occurred on the 16th December. On the 26th a letter giving some details of the occurrence was received at East Rudham by the Rev. Robert Brock, who was acting as "locum tenens" for Dr. Astley. While the former was sitting in his study in the evening of the 26th, the housekeeper, Mrs. Hartley, ran in saying, "Come and see Dr. Astley!" Mr. Brock went into the adjoining room, the window of which opened on the lawn, and distinctly saw the figure of Dr. Astley, attired in every respect as he had last seen him in London on December 9th. The glass window was between the observers and the apparition. The vision occurred at 4.45 p.m., lasted ten minutes, and returned about half-an-hour later on the following Tuesday evening; but, owing to the moonlight, was not quite so distinct as on the first occasion.

How is this occurrence to be treated? Or rather, how is it to be construed? Of course, the true, unadulterated, English method would be, either to ridicule it or to ignore it. But, since many of our readers and the writer of this article are not Philistines, pure and simple, let us examine it in the

light of science. This, to his credit, has been the course followed by one of the witnesses—Mr. Brock. Following the process of elimination, we can, at once, discard hypnotic suggestion. No element of hypnotism was present. We may also dispense with mediumistic interference, no medium being present. As the vision was apparent to more than one person, we can also discard those explanations which are strictly pathological, for there is scarcely even a remote possibility that, apart from the difference of sex, both Mr. Brock and Mrs. Hartley were suffering, at one and the same time, from hysteria, hallucinations, or, what is known to physicians as *gutta serena*. There remains only one explanation of the phenomenon and that is Radiography, and this is, I think, the true explanation. But it will be urged, in opposition to this theory, that, so far, the Hertzian waves have been able to convey only sound and not light, or form, or colour. Granted. But this is the very point we made in the note upon our previous article, namely, that if such amazing results had been achieved by Chevalier Marconi and others, merely by the employment of a purely mechanical contrivance, such as a mast and a certain volume of electricity, plus telegraphic instruments keyed up to a given pitch of intonation; how much more potent towards the achievement of still more amazing results must be the human mind itself with its illimitable power of expansion acting upon the same ether waves! But still another question or doubt remains to be solved, and that is, how can the presence of a corporeal form be explained many hundreds of miles away from the generating station constituted by the corpus itself? Fortunately for the occasion in question at East Rudham, we have an explanation at hand in the luminous theories propounded by the late "A. G. Trent," in his treatise entitled "The Soul and the Stars."

On page 27 of this treatise, after admitting that what is known as "spirit" has come into existence along with the body and has been generated by the same physical act, "Trent" goes on to say:—"All difficulties are removed if it is shown that to the animal soul derived from the progenitors in the conception another soul (*astral*) is added, or super-added, at birth."

The researches of many eminent pathologists, physicians and psychologists in Europe and America go to prove that, during periods of unconsciousness, delirium and approaching dissolution, this astral soul or "ego," as distinguished from the animal soul (or "material ego," which must not be confounded with the body, or physical personality)—becomes separated or suspended from the animal soul and may be projected into space by the mere act of volition.

In the light of the foregoing, we have the following conditions and data to work on in analysing the case of Dr. Astley's apparition.

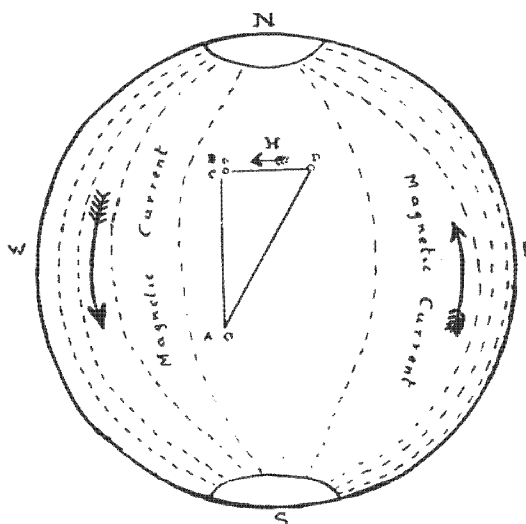
1. He was lying in a delirious or semi-delirious state at Biskra
2. His "locum tenens" and a dependent were

NOTE.—If it be urged that this is merely a personal opinion, it is well that the objectors should know that the pseudonym "Trent" conceals the identity of one of the foremost scientists of our age, who passed away less than two years ago.

engrossed in thoughts of him at his home in East Rudham. More than this, they were keyed, or tuned up, to acute anxiety in regard to him.

3. It is an accepted pathological and psychological axiom that the mind, when released from physical control, is carried by natural attraction to the most magnetic focus of its terrestrial associations, and is conveyed to that focus by means of the force-solution nearest akin to itself, viz., ether waves.

4. It follows, therefore, that a demonstration ensued upon the lines of the ensuing figure.



A=Dr. Astley "in materio" at Biskra—delirious.  
B=Rev. R. Brock.  
C=Mrs. Hartley.  
D=Dr. Astley—"astral ego"—radiographed at East Rudham.  
H=Transverse direction of Hertzian Waves.

The same explanation applies to the case of Captain and Mrs. Brereton in 1857. The former went out to join his regiment, which was engaged in aiding to suppress the Indian Mutiny. Three months after his departure, Mrs. Brereton, who shortly expected to become a mother, was lying on a sofa in the front drawing-room of her mother's country house, in which the Captain and his wife had sojourned before his departure and to which they were deeply attached. A dull, overcast July evening was closing in when a servant brought a letter to Mrs. Brereton from her husband. It was only a few lines to announce his safe arrival at Calcutta and his contemplated movement up-country with his regiment. After reading the letter, Mrs. Brereton commenced to experience a sensation of extreme cold, although the evening was warm. She was on the point of rising to ring for a shawl or coverlet, when her eye caught a peculiar glow of light in a corner of the back drawing room. The light drifted a little towards the middle of the room and in, or against, the luminous background she recognised her husband. His figure, clad in the dark blue and white uniform of his regiment, appeared to lean against an invisible support. On the white "plastron" of his tunic were the marks of a bloody hand.

It subsequently transpired that on the day and hour of this apparition, Captain Brereton was mortally wounded in the battle of Azimghur. He received his death-wound in a hand-to-hand fight with a sowar. The latter was desperately wounded and, in his dying throes, pressed his blood-stained hand against Brereton's chest in their death grapple. In this case, also, form and colour were both radiographed.

A friend of mine, an officer of the U.S. Navy, was keeping watch on the quarter-deck of the U.S. cruiser "Tallahassee," in San Francisco Harbour, on a November night in the year 1878. Suddenly he heard a splash alongside. He sang out, "Man overboard," ordered out a boat and, seizing one of the ship's battle-lanterns, ran to the taffrail and looked over. He distinctly saw the form and face of his father in the water, but the boat's crew could find no trace of the drowning man. My friend learned later that, at the same hour, his father had committed suicide by throwing himself into an ornamental sheet of water on the family estate in Vermont, thirty-two hundred miles away. In this case, form and sound were both radiographed.

The foregoing cases, old and new, are given to illustrate the fact that we are gradually emerging from an ignorant awe of the so-called supernatural and, in the clear light of approved science, are beginning to understand that we ourselves, that is, our spiritual or astral selves, probably came out of the ether, are capable of translating ourselves to each other, in life and in death, through the force of that circumambient medium, and that it is into the unfathomable reservoir of that medium that we one and all probably return when "life's fitful fever" is ended.

CONSTANTINE.

## The Way to Wealth--III.

From "Poor Richard's Almanack" for 1758.

### II.

"BUT with our industry we must likewise be steady, settled, and careful, and oversee our own affairs with our own eyes, and trust not too much to others; for, as Poor Richard says:

'I never saw an oft-removed tree

Nor yet an oft-removed family,

That thrived so well as those that settled be.'

"And again, 'Three removes are as bad as a fire'; and again, 'Keep thy shop, and thy shop will keep thee'; and again: 'If you would your business done, go; if not, send.' And again:

'He that by the plow would thrive,  
Himself must either hold or drive.'

And again, 'The eye of a master will do more work than both his hands'; and again, 'Want of care does us more damage than want of knowledge'; and again, 'Not to oversee workmen is to leave them your purse open.' Trusting too much to others' care is the ruin of many; for 'In the affairs of this world men are saved, not by faith, but by the want of it'; but a man's own care is profitable; for 'If you would have a faithful servant, and one that you like, serve

yourself.' 'A little neglect may breed against mischief'; 'for want of a nail the shoe was lost; for want of a shoe the horse was lost; and for want of a horse the rider was lost, being overtaken and slain by the enemy; all for want of a little care about a horse-shoe-nail.'

### III.

"So much for industry, my friends, and attention to one's own business; but to these we must add frugality, if we would make our industry more certainly successful. A man may, if he knows not how to save as he gets, keep his nose all his life to the grindstone, and die not worth a groat at last. 'A fat kitchen makes a lean will'; and

'Many estates are spent in the getting,

Since women for tea forsook spinning and knitting,

And men for punch forsook hewing and splitting.'

'If you would be wealthy, think of saving as well as of getting. The Indies have not made Spain rich, because her outgoes are greater than her incomes.'

"Away then with your expensive follies, and you will not then have so much cause to complain of hard times, heavy taxes, and chargeable families; for

'Women and wine, game and deceit,

Make the wealth small and the want great.'

And further, 'What maintains one vice would bring up two children.' You may think perhaps that a little tea, or a little punch now and then, diet a little more costly, clothes a little finer, and a little entertainment now and then, can be no great matter; but remember, 'Many a little makes a mickle.' Beware of little expenses: 'A small leak will sink a great ship,' as Poor Richard says; and again, 'Who dainties love, shall beggars prove'; and moreover, 'Fools make feasts and wise men eat them.'

"Here you are all got together at this sale of fineries and knickknacks. You call them *goods*; but if you do not take care they will prove *evils* to some of you. You expect they will be sold cheap, and perhaps they may for less than they cost; but if you have no occasion for them they must be dear to you. Remember what Poor Richard says: 'Buy what thou hast no need of, and ere long thou shalt sell thy necessities.' And again, 'At a great pennyworth pause awhile.' He means that perhaps the cheapness is apparent only, and not real; or the bargain, by straitening thee in thy business, may do the more harm than good. For in another place he says, 'Many have been ruined by buying good penny-worths.' Again, 'It is foolish to lay out money in a purchase of repentance'; and yet this folly is practised every day at auctions for want of minding the Almanac. Many a one, for the sake of finery on the back, have gone with a hungry belly and half starved their families. 'Silks and satins, scarlets and velvets, put out the kitchen fire,' as Poor Richard says.

"These are not the necessities of life; they can scarcely be called the conveniences; and yet, only because they look pretty, how many want to have them! By these and other extravagances the genteel are reduced to poverty and forced to borrow of those whom they formerly despised, but who, through industry and frugality, have maintained their standing; in which case it appears plainly that 'A plowman on his legs is higher than a gentleman on his knees,' as Poor Richard says. Perhaps they have had a

small estate left them, which they knew not the getting of; they think, 'It is day, and will never be night'; that a little to be spent out of so much is not worth minding; but 'Always taking out of the meal-tub, and never putting in, soon comes to the bottom,' as Poor Richard says; and then, 'When the well is dry, they know the worth of water.' But this they might have known before, if they had taken his advice. 'If you would know the value of money, go and try to borrow some; for he that goes a borrowing goes a sorrowing,' as Poor Richard says; and indeed so does he that lends to such people, when he goes to get it again. Poor Dick further advises and says:

'Fond pride of dress is sure a very curse;  
Ere fancy you consult, consult your purse.'

And again, 'Pride is as loud a beggar as Want, and a great deal more saucy.' When you have bought one fine thing you must buy ten more, that your appearance may be all of a piece; but Poor Dick says, 'It is easier to suppress the first desire than to satisfy all that follow it.' And it is truly folly for the poor to ape the rich, as for the frog to swell in order to equal the ox.

'Vessels large may venture more,  
But little boats should keep near shore.'

It is, however, a folly soon punished; for, as Poor Richard says, 'Pride that dines on vanity sups on contempt. Pride breakfasted with Plenty, dined with Poverty, and supped with Infamy.' And after all, of what use is this pride of appearance, for which so much is risked, so much is suffered? It cannot promote health, nor ease pain; it makes no increase of merit in the person; it creates envy; it hastens misfortune.

"But what madness must it be to run in debt for these superfluities? We are offered by the terms of this sale six month's credit; and that, perhaps, has induced some of us to attend it, because we cannot spare the ready money, and hope now to be fine without it. But ah, think what you do when you run in debt; you give to another power over your liberty. If you cannot pay at the time, you will be ashamed to see your creditor; you will be in fear when you speak to him; you will make poor, pitiful, sneaking excuses, and by degrees come to lose your veracity, and sink into base, downright lying; for 'The second vice is lying, the first is running into debt,' as Poor Richard says; and again, to the same purpose, 'Lying rides upon Debt's back'; whereas a free-born Englishman ought not to be ashamed or afraid to see or speak to any man living. But poverty often deprives a man of all spirit and virtue. 'It is hard for an empty bag to stand upright.'

"What would you think of that prince or of that government who should issue an edict forbidding you to dress like a gentleman or gentlewoman, on pain of imprisonment or servitude? Would you not say that you are free, have a right to dress as you please, and that such an edict would be a breach of your privileges, and such a government tyrannical? And yet you are about to put yourself under such tyranny when you run in debt for such dress! Your creditor has authority, at his pleasure, to deprive you of your liberty by confining you in jail till you shall be able to pay him.

"When you have got your bargain, you may perhaps think little of payment; but, as Poor Richard says, 'Creditors have better memories than debtors; creditors are a superstitious sect, great observers of set days and times.' The day comes round before you are aware, and the demand is made before you are prepared to satisfy it; or, if you bear your debt in mind, the term, which at first seemed so long, will, as it lessens, appear extremely short. Time will seem to have added wings to his heels as well as his shoulders. 'Those have a short Lent who owe money to be paid at Easter.' At present, perhaps, you may think yourselves in thriving circumstances, and that you can bear a little extravagance without injury, but—

'For age and want save while you may;  
No morning sun lasts a whole day.'

"Gain may be temporary and uncertain, but ever, while you live, expense is constant and certain; and 'It is easier to build two chimneys than to keep one in fuel,' as Poor Richard says; so 'Rather go to bed supperless than rise in debt.'

'Get what you can, and what you get hold;  
'Tis the stone that will turn all your lead into gold.'

And, when you have got the philosopher's stone, sure you will no longer complain of bad times or the difficulty of paying taxes.

#### IV.

"THIS doctrine, my friends, is reason and wisdom; but, after all, do not depend too much upon your own industry and frugality and prudence, though excellent things, for they may all be blasted, without the blessing of Heaven; and therefore ask that blessing humbly, and be not uncharitable to those that at present seem to want it, but comfort and help them. Remember, Job suffered and was afterward prosperous.

And now, to conclude, 'Experience keeps a dear school, but fools will learn in no other,' as Poor Richard says, and scarce in that, for it is true 'We may give advice, but we cannot give conduct.' However, remember this, 'They that won't be counselled, cannot be helped'; and further, that 'If you do not hear reason, she will surely rap your knuckles,' as Poor Richard says."

Thus the old gentleman ended his harangue. The people heard it and approved the doctrine; and immediately practised the contrary, just as it had been a common sermon; for the auction opened, and they began to buy extravagantly. I found that the good man had thoroughly studied my Almanacs, and digested all I had dropped on these topics during the course of twenty-five years.

The frequent mention he made of me must have tired any one else, but my vanity was wonderfully delighted with it, though I was conscious that not a tenth part of the wisdom was my own which he ascribed to me, but rather the gleanings that I had made of the sense of all ages and nations. However, I resolved to be the better for the echo of it, and though I had determined to buy stuff for a new coat, I went away resolved to wear my old one a little longer.

Reader, if thou wilt do the same, thy profit will be as great as mine. I am, as ever, thine to serve thee,  
RICHARD SAUNDERS.

# Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

## IV.—JUPITER.

THE planet Jupiter, the giant of the solar system, revolves round the Sun, at a mean distance of 482 millions of miles, in fifty days less than twelve of our years.

Jupiter is one of the beauties of the solar system, and is so large that if Saturn and all the other planets were rolled into one they would still be outrivalled by the giant Jove.

Viewed in a telescope Jupiter departs very considerably from a complete circle, in fact there is a difference of seven thousand miles between its equatorial diameter and its polar diameter, and this is caused by the remarkable velocity by which the planet turns on its axis, each rotation being completed in just under ten hours.

Another remarkable feature about this planet is, that while it is twelve hundred times larger than the earth it is only three hundred times heavier. This leads one to suppose that either the planet is composed of materials lighter than any known on earth, or it is as yet in a state of extreme heat. From the various alterations which have been observed on the surface of the planet by telescopic observation, this latter hypothesis is probably the correct one.

Those of my readers who have read Mr. George Griffiths' "Honeymoon in Space" will have a graphic description, imaginary of course, of a visit of the aerial travellers from Ganymede, one of Jupiter's satellites, through the cloud belt of Jupiter, and their view of the actual body of the planet. The following paragraphs culled therefrom will prove interesting.

"A dull red glare was streaming up out of it. The next moment the brown cloud-floor beneath them seemed to split up into enormous wreaths of vapour, which whirled up on all sides of them, and a few minutes later they caught their first glimpse of the true surface of Jupiter.

It lay, as nearly as they could judge, some

two thousand miles beneath them, a distance which the telescopes reduced to less than twenty; and they saw for a few moments the world that was in the making. Through floating seas of misty steam they beheld what seemed to them to be vast continents shape themselves and melt away into oceans of flames. Whole mountain ranges of glowing lava were hurled miles high to take shape for an instant and then fall away again, leaving fathomless gulfs of fiery mist in their place.

Then waves of molten matter rose up again out of the gulfs, tens of miles high and hundreds of miles long, surged forward and met with a concussion like that of millions of earthly thunder-clouds. Minute after minute they remained writhing and struggling with each other, flinging up spurts of flaming matter far above their crests. Other waves followed them, climbing up their bases as a sea-surge runs up the side of a smooth slanting rock. Then from the midst of them a jet of living fire leapt up hundreds of miles into the lurid atmosphere above, and then, with a crash and a roar which shook the vast Jovian firmament, the battling lava-waves would split apart and sink down into the all-surrounding fire-ocean, like two grappling giants who had strangled each other in their final struggle."

Although, of course, as my readers must understand, the description is purely imaginary, yet there is a certain amount of reality in it, as it is an actual depiction of what is really taking place in Jupiter if the supposition as to its being in a molten state is correct.

What we see from this earth is apparently an envelope or belt of dense material, enveloping an enormous mass of fiery molten substance, undergoing various developments as shown in the above sketch.

Jupiter is accompanied in his revolution round the Sun by five moons, and viewed through a telescope of small power and large object lens is a very pretty sight.

## Birthday Influences during February.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♀, Δ ♀. An unimportant birthday, some changes, and activity. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, will be quick, clever and intelligent, but should always remain in the employ of others.

2. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♄, δ ♀, □ ♀, \* ♄. A changeable year, indisposition, and home troubles, benefits in work and financially, but danger of imposition and secret enmity. A child born on this day will have psychic gifts, be successful financially, but health and environment will be a drawback to success.

3. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♄, 8 ♀, 8 ♀. An evil birthday, untoward changes, much trouble grief and sorrow. An evil year for females. A child born on this day will be rash, impulsive, irritable and eccentric, liable to trouble through females, and through rash conduct.

4. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♃, Δ ♀. Another evil anniversary, danger of accidents, law and quarrelling, benefits through elderly people and new responsibilities. A child born on this day will be unruly and rash, irritable and impulsive, will gain in employment and through elderly people.

5. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♃, 8 ♀, Δ ♀. The year is untoward for health and domestic affairs, but changes and improvement in position may be anticipated. A child born on this day will be active, energetic and enterprising, should always remain in the employ of others, and be careful in dealings with superiors.

6. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♄, 8 ♀. A changeable year, trouble through letters and correspondence, but gain in employment and through superiors. A child born on this day will be sharp and sarcastic, dislike control, but will gain through superiors and employment.

7. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♃, \* ♀, δ ♀. A favourable year is shown, social and financial benefits, gain in work and employment, and much pleasure and enjoyment. A child born on this day will be successful in life, gain in business and employment, and receive credit and approbation from others.

8. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♃, Δ ♀, □ ♀. A changeable year, danger of law and accidents, some favourable changes, and financial benefits. A child born on this day will be rash and impulsive, in danger of accidents, but original and inventive, and financially successful.

9. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♄, 8 ♀, Δ ♀. An active and enterprising year is shown, but danger of indisposition and domestic troubles. Some financial benefits. A child born on this day will be active, energetic, skilful and executive, but health and home affairs will have a deterrent effect on the life and success.

10. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♄, Δ ♀, □ ♀, □ ♀, \* ♀. A changeable year, many unexpected troubles and annoyances, but benefits in employ, and in work of a persevering and energetic nature. A child born on this day will be active, energetic and intelligent, will have many drawbacks to contend with, and will bring trouble upon himself through irritability and impulse.

11. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♄, □ ♀, Δ ♀. A changeable year, improvement in position, financial benefits, but some danger of indisposition, grief and disappointment. A child born on this day will be active and clever, quick and intelligent, will gain success in work, but have many obstacles to contend with.

12. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♃, Δ ♀, \* ♄. A favourable anniversary, changes, financial gain, improvement of position and benefits through superiors. A child born on this day will have a fairly successful time, be clever, popular and successful in employment.

13. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♄, □ ♀, \* ♄. An evil year is shown, trouble through letters, domestic worries, indisposition and danger of loss of employment. A child born on this day will have a hatred of control, be often in trouble with those over him, and many troubles to face in his journey through the world.

14. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♃, Δ ♀, □ ♀, \* ♄. A changeable year, success in new work, gain through the opposite sex, new responsibilities, but heavy financial troubles. A child born on this day will be steady and serious, popular with the other sex, but very extravagant, and may lose heavily in law.

15. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♃, δ ♀, \* ♄. An evil year, danger of disputes, law and accidents, some benefic changes, but otherwise unfortunate. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, hot tempered, rash and impulsive, and liable to troubles and danger thereby.

16. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♄, \* ♄, □ ♀. A changeable year, success in business and occupation, but indisposition and domestic troubles. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, active and successful in trade or business, but health and environment will be a hampering influence.

17. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♄, 8 ♀, □ ♀, Δ ♄. An unfavourable year, many changes, troubles, annoyances and home worries. A child born on this day will have much trouble to contend with, will be restless, imaginative and eccentric, and come to an unhappy existence in the eventide of life.

18. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♌, \* ♄. A changeable year, some danger of accidents and disputes, but otherwise unimportant. A child born on this day will be rash and imprudent, but will gain through responsibilities and elderly people.

19. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♌, ♀ ♄. A favourable year for artists, singers, and musicians. Marriage or engagement to females. A child born on this day will have artistic, musical or poetic genius, and gain much approbation and success.

20. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♌, ♄ ♄, \* ♄. An important year, changes, success, benefits, and pleasure and company. Much activity in life shown. A child born on this day will be popular, successful, have artistic ability, energy and enterprise, and should make a name for himself.

21. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♌, ♄ ♄, \* ♄, ♄ ♄. A changeable year, financial losses, gain through employment, pleasure, social success, and favourable changes. A child born on this day will be active and successful, popular and esteemed, but in danger of losses through litigation.

22. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♌, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A variable year, danger of accidents and litigation, also of ill health and bereavement, slight benefits in employ. A child born on this day will suffer from weak health, be rashly inclined and generally unfortunate in life.

23. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♌, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄, \* ♄, \* ♄. A changeable year, success in trade with the other sex, but many untoward changes and domestic troubles. A child born on this day will be clever and artistic, affectionate and kind, but have many troubles to fight against in life.

24. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♌, \* ♄, ♄ ♄. A very successful year, financial, social and general success, gain in business or employment and in new work and undertakings. A child born on this day will be active, energetic, popular and esteemed, and should rise in life.

25. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♌, \* ♄, ♄ ♄ & ♄, ♄ ♄ & ♄. A changeable year, some successes and financial benefits, but grief and disappointments. An evil year for love or marriage. A child born on this day will be popular, esteemed and very successful in life, but will suffer at the hands of the opposite sex.

26. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♌, ♄ ♄ ♄. A quiet and uneventful year on the whole, some pleasure. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, be artistic or musical and fairly successful.

27. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♌, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄, \* ♄, ♄ ♄. A variable and unpleasant year, many little ups and downs and changes of an unfavourable nature, benefits in business and through elders, but danger of loss of employment. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, discreet and capable of responsibilities, but will have many troubles to contend with and many variations of fate and fortune.

28. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♌, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. An evil year, danger of law and heavy losses, also of accidents and disputes. A

child born on this day will be rash, impulsive, very extravagant and prodigal, and should be very discreet and careful with money and lawyers.

### Babylon and her Prophet.

Over 4,000 years ago there was a great city in the centre of a country which was no larger than Italy. The city was the political and religious centre of a highly organised constitutional State, whose civilisation was much like our own.

Over 4,000 years ago, says Delitzsch, in "Babel and Bible," there existed a civilisation where a uniform system of laws, an orderly system of commerce, a postal system and a monetary system proved the high development of the people.

Roads and canals were kept in perfect condition by the State. "Commerce and industry, stock raising and agriculture, flourished in an eminent degree, while science, geometry, mathematics and notably astronomy, attained a height of development that has repeatedly evoked the admiration of modern scientists." And then this great German scholar adds: "Certainly not Paris, and at most not Rome, can bear comparison with Babylon in the extent of influence which is exercised upon the world for 2,000 years."

Yet to-day Babylon is but a name to most people, and its records—taken by its ruins after many centuries—are read by few. Babylon!

Those who lived in that old city, who passed to and fro among the palaces, temples, markets and factories, could not foresee the dying city nor its long, long silence in which it is sleeping as in a tomb.

Men lived and worked and did not think of change; their thoughts reached out to all the mysteries of nature; their desires reached out to the perfections of beauty, and the very intensity of thought and desire brought the riches of science and the luxury of beauty back to them. And in some strange way the intensity of thought and desire brought corruption, and after much corruption the city fell.

There was one man whose sight was keen, one man who felt the passing of Babylon in destruction, one man whose thought swept over in the immensities of change. This man of the land of Benjamin—Jeremiah—saw things in the large, and so those of less vision called him a prophet when he said: "How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken! How is Babylon become a desolation among the nations!"

The people did not believe him; they mocked him, and yet what he predicted came to pass. He was the prophet of destruction and reconstruction. He was but one of those who in each age have the larger vision and the power of expression.

To-day the prophets no longer predict the downfall of this nation or that with the fierceness of Jeremiah. To-day the prophets predict the downfall of a system of industry and commerce—the competitive system, in which there is corruption and warfare. The prophets of to-day predict the destruction of one system and the gradual reconstruction of another and better.

And to-day the prophets are mocked. Yet what they predict shall come to pass.

## Horoscopes of Notable Men.

THE EARL OF ROSEBERY, K.G.

**T**HE Earl of Rosebery, K.G. was born at 3 a.m. on the morning of the 7th May 1847, when Pisces 28.3' ascended and Sagittarius 29.15' culminated. The Sun is exactly on the cusp of the second house in Taurus 15.24'. Jupiter and Venus in Gemini in the third house, Mercury conjoined with Uranus intercepted in Aries in the ascendant. Saturn, Mars and Neptune in Pisces just above the ascendant. The Moon in Aquarius on the cusp of the twelfth house.

All the planets are in the ascending portion of the horoscope and are comprised within a space of 135°. The Sun and Moon both in fixed signs give a determined and persistent character, practical, steady, reserved and firm, well able to stand alone, and go straight forward regardless of the opinions and tactics of opponents.

The mental abilities are good, versatile, acute, self-reliant, and active, and as Mercury has the sextile of both Jupiter and Venus, skilful in speech, fond of learning, temperate, of good judgment, tolerant, well fitted for public speaking and government, also refined, artistic, neat, and amiable.

The position of Saturn and Mars have brought many enemies and attacks against the honour and reputation of our subject, and as Neptune is conjoined with Mars in the twelfth house, much secret, spiteful, and snake-like enmity, also treachery of the vilest order has fallen to his lot.

In marriage he was fortunate from a pecuniary point of view, but as Jupiter and Venus were in affliction with the Moon, he lost his wife early in life.

We will now examine some of the chief events in the eventful life of his lordship.

In his fourth year his father died. By postnatal direction the Moon was square M.C.; by prenatal, it was opposition Venus. P., the Asc., was also directed to the squares of Jupiter and Venus.

Just before his 21st birthday his grandfather died, and this event elevated him to the peerage. The directions operating then were as follows:—

*Postnatal.* M.C. sextile Mercury. Asc. conj. Sun. Sun trine Moon. Mars sextile Sun.

*Prenatal.* Sun par. Saturn P. Mars square Sun R.

Marriage took place on March 20th 1878, under the following influences.

*Postnatal.* Sun par. Jupiter R. Moon trine Venus conj. Asc. He became a Cabinet Minister 1885, under the directions of M.C. conj. Moon, Sun par. Jupiter, and Moon trine Mars, R., and conj. Mercury P. The sad death of his wife took place under the directions of Sun square Asc., Jupiter square Asc., and Moon opposition Saturn.

He attained the high position of Prime Minister under the direction of the Asc. to the conjunction of Jupiter and Venus, Sun trine Mars and Neptune, while his resignation of the same post fell under the square of Venus to the Sun.

With regard to the coming year, we regret to say that evil influences are operating, for the Sun is in square to Uranus, passing to the square of Mercury in 1914, and at the fall of the present year Mars and Saturn are conjoined on the place of Uranus. Mars is also conjoined with Uranus by direction. Evil results both affecting the health and prospects are to be inferred from this influence, for they are critical and highly dangerous.

### Magazines Received.

THE ASTROLOGICAL MAGAZINE: The Albion Press, 1, Mint Street, Madras, India. Edited by B. Sudyanarain Row, B.A. M.R.A.S., December issue. A most interesting number, with excellent articles on "Masculine Physiognomy," "Good times for Marriage," "Souls" and "Horoscope of China."

AQUARIUS (Bi-monthly, 5th). Hilding D. Emberg, Niagara Falls N.Y., U.S.A.

SWASHTIKA. December issue.

MODERN ASTROLOGY.—6d. monthly, Alan Leo.

# Mental and Moral Aspects of Sleep--III.

By JOHN SHEPPARD.

I WOULD now invite attention to the second point proposed, namely, the *intellectual inventiveness and power* frequently exerted in dreams. That original and eccentric writer, Sir Thomas Browne, in his *Religio Medici*, thus describes his own experience: "I thank God for my happy dreams, as I do for my good rest. We are somewhat more than ourselves in our sleeps, and the slumber of the body seems to be but the waking of our souls. It is the ligation of our sense, but the liberty of reason; our awaking conceptions do not match the fancies of our sleeps. At my nativity, my ascendant was the earthly sign of Scorpio, I was born in the planetary hour of Saturn, and I think I have a piece of that leaden planet in me. I am no way facetious, nor disposed for the mirth and galliardize of company; yet in one dream I can compose a whole comedy, behold the action in one dream, apprehend the jests, and laugh myself awake at the conceits thereof. Were my memory as faithful as my reason is then fruitful, I would never study but in my dreams, and this time also would I choose for my devotions; but our grosser memories have then so little hold of our abstracted understandings, that they forget the story, and can only relate to our awakened souls a confused and broken tale of that that has passed."

He afterwards writes in reference to what he said of the elevation of the faculties in sleep. "Thus I observe that men oftentimes upon the hour of their *deparure* do speak and reason above themselves. For then the soul begins to be freed from the ligaments of the body, begins to reason like herself, and to discourse in a strain above mortality." Let it be noticed that all these are the remarks of an acute and practised *physician*.

Dr. Moore, in his work "On the Power of the Soul over the Body," mentions, "It is related of Cædmon, the Anglo-Saxon bard, that he composed his first and probably his best poem, that on Creation, in a dream. Previous to this, he was unable to repeat a single stave, but afterwards he became remarkable for the facility of his verses."

Addison notices this extraordinary power. "In dreams the slow of speech make unpremeditated harangues. Invention works with such ease and activity, that we are not sensible when the faculty is employed. Thus I believe every one, some time or other, dreams that he is reading papers, books, or letters; in which case the invention prompts so readily, that the mind is imposed upon, and mistakes its own suggestions for the compositions of another."

But, it may be said,—the best ascertained of those compositions or rhapsodies,—even those dreaming pindarics of the poet, and that dreaming comedy of the physician (whatever were our trust in the merit of scenes which he did *not* note down),—are still but efforts of the *imaginative* faculties. They may prove, to use a phrase of the latter, the "unmatched fancies

of our sleeps;" but they make no approach to the higher more exact and severe operations of reason, or intellectual *power*.

We shall find, however, no lack of testimony for those exercises of the mind in sleep. Lavater states, "many a mathematician has in deep sleep solved the most difficult problems, and performed complex calculations with inexpressible quickness."

Dr. Abercrombie adduces most striking facts, to show mental operations in dreams of a highly intellectual character. Dr. Gregory (he states) mentions, that thoughts which sometimes occurred to him in dreams, and even the particular expressions in which they were conveyed, appeared to him afterwards, when awake, so just in point of reasoning and illustration, and so good in point of language, that he has used them in his college lectures, and in his written lucubrations.

"Condorcet related of himself, that when engaged in some profound and obscure calculations, he was often obliged to leave them in an incomplete state and retire to rest; and that the remaining steps, and the conclusion of his calculations, had more than once presented themselves in his dreams."

"Dr. Franklin also informed Cabanis, that the bearings and issues of political events, which had puzzled him when awake, were not unfrequently unfolded to him in his dreams."

"The following anecdote," Dr. Abercrombie adds, "has been preserved in a family of rank in Scotland, the descendants of a distinguished lawyer of the last age. This eminent person had been consulted respecting a case of great importance and much difficulty; and he had been studying it with intense anxiety and attention. After several days had been occupied in this manner, he was observed by his wife to rise from his bed in the night, and go to a writing desk which stood in the bed-room. He then sat down, and wrote a long paper, which he put carefully by in the desk, and returned to bed. The following morning he told his wife that he had had a most interesting dream;—that he had dreamt of delivering a clear and luminous opinion respecting a case which had exceedingly perplexed him; and that he would give anything to recover the train of thought which had passed before him in his dream. She then directed him to the writing desk, where he found the opinion clearly and fully written out; and it was afterwards found to be perfectly correct."

I may add, that Richard Baxter, no poet, but a grave divine and controversialist, declares of himself, "Many a time (in dreams) my reason hath acted for a time as regularly and much *more* forcibly than it doth when I am awake."

An author of entirely different character and pursuits—La Mothe le Vayer—writes thus: "Cardan affirms in his *Treatise on the Immortality of the Soul*, that he owes many geometrical demonstrations to the reasonings of his mind while he slept; for that

when he was composing the books of his new geometry, he accomplished when sleeping what he could not have dared promise from himself when awake. And I can assure you that it has happened to me, as well as to many others, to have had thoughts in the most profound sleep, which I reviewed with astonishment on awaking, and that when I have been able to remember the terms in which I had put them, whether in verse or prose, I have admired the advantage which the superior part (the spirit) had taken during the torpor of the other."

A case of a different kind from all these is thus referred to by Dr. Moore. "Tartini, a celebrated violin player, composed his famous 'Sonata del Diavolo,' while he dreamed that the devil challenged him to a trial of skill on his own violin."

This sonata is extant; and an ingenious writer, already quoted, refers to it as the "exquisite product" of "the dream, as it is termed, of Tartini."

It is very observable, that the subjects of mental exertion in dreams, which have been thus recorded, are most unlike each other. The testimony fully warrants, in my judgment, the conclusion of Bishop Newton; who grounded it, not on these facts, but on others of the same kind. "It is very evident," he writes, "that the soul is in great measure independent of the body, even while she is within the body; since the deepest sleep that possesseth the one cannot affect the other; and while the avenues of the body are closed, the soul is still indued with sense and perception, and the impressions are often stronger, and the images more lively, when we are asleep than when awake. They must necessarily be two distinct and different substances, whose natures and properties are so very different, that while the one shall sink under the burden and fatigue of the day, the other shall still be fresh and active as the flame; while the one shall be dead to the world, the other shall be ranging in thought through the universe. Why then should the death of the one be any more the death of the other, than the sleep of the one is the sleep of the other? Since the soul can think and act in this manner without the body, even while united to it, why should she not be able to think and act in a more enlarged and more exalted manner, when separated from the body, or united to a spiritual body that shall no longer hinder her operations? Since the soul hath her distinct joys and sorrows, pleasures and pains, while the body is senseless and asleep, why should she not be capable of the same when the body shall be no more?"

### The Lemons and the Soda.

"I could soon finish you up," said some lemons to a bottle of carbonate of soda.

"I could soon take the taste out of you," answered the soda.

"Let us try our strength," said the lemons.

"With all my heart," said the soda; and to work they went, trying with all their might to extinguish each other; fizz—went the lemons; fizz—went the soda; and they went on fizzing, till there was nothing of either of them left, and only a nauseous puddle showed where the fight had been.

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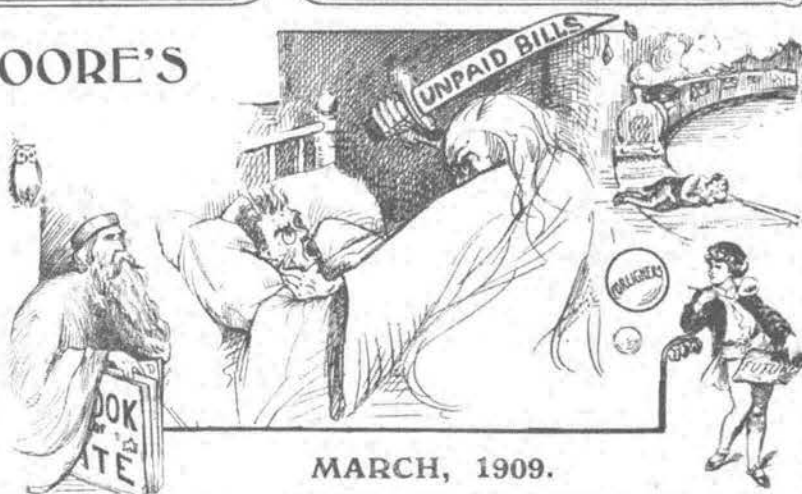
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# OLD MOORE'S

## Monthly Outlook and Forecast



MARCH, 1909.

### The New Moon.

The New Moon, which has rule through March, takes place on the 20th February just before eleven in the morning. It falls on the cusp of the eleventh house, an augury of an active time in Parliamentary circles, and much debating on Poor Law and Local Government legislation. Important changes occur in these matters, and also in Parliament. The resignation or death of a minister is probable. There will be losses in the national exchequer by fraud, depreciation in receipts, and heavy expenditure. Railways will not prosper, and matters affecting them and also the Post Office will be brought before Parliament. Jupiter in the fifth is favourable for theatres and music halls, and for the younger generation, and educational matters. The public health will suffer, and there will be much activity in army and navy affairs. Mars flames fiercely in the seventh house, pointing to grave danger of disputes and warfare. Many sudden and strange deaths and suicides are indicated. Colonial affairs will be embittered. The conjunction of Mercury and Venus close to the meridian denotes much activity in high circles, public functions, and probably a pageant of some description in the City, as the conjunction falls close to the meridian of the Metropolis. Trade in the City should benefit. The Opposition

party in the Commons will be strong, and some party splits and dissensions are shown.

### United States.

At New York, Mercury and Venus will be rising, pointing to active and prosperous times for the city. The lunation also falls in the ascendant. Mars in the eleventh points to heated debates in Congress, fiery speeches and much disputation. Saturn's position in the second house is bad for trade and financial affairs. Jupiter in the seventh favours an increase in the marriage rate, and favourable dealings with other powers. At San Francisco, Mars is rising, pointing to rioting among the people, fires and outrages. Saturn close to the fourth cusp warns the authorities to beware of underground troubles. It is exactly on the nadir in Long. W. 124. The lunation falls on the cusp of the third house which denotes much activity on railways.

### Europe.

Russia benefits from this lunation, for Mercury and Venus are conjoined in the ruling sign of the country. Neptune rising in opposition to Uranus shows much internal disturbance as well as trouble with other powers. Jupiter in the fourth favours agriculture and the people generally. Mars

in the sixth shows much sickness, especially lung troubles and consumption. At Berlin, Mars is just setting, a very ominous portent, showing danger of disputes with other powers and war. Troubles are shown in the Reichstag, danger of dissolution and much trouble in financial circles.

### General.

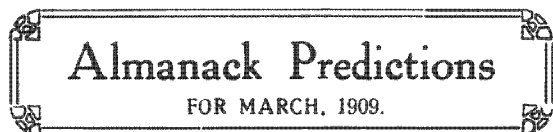
Spain suffers from the position of Mars in Sagittarius, but Paris and Turkey benefit from Jupiter in Virgo. Uranus still plagues India, especially as Mars forms the conjunction with that planet on the 26th. Saturn still afflicts England. Underground troubles are threatened in 124 W. Long. Fires and rioting in 45 W. Saturn culminates in 56 E., a warning to the Shah of Persia, who will find his position difficult.

### Special Forecast for India.

The two malefic planets, Mars and Uranus, are conjoined in the sign Capricorn on the 26th March. It is an augury of rioting and bloodshed, outrages and violence. The authorities should be on guard against a native rising. Heavy troubles will fall on India after this conjunction.

### The Stock Exchange.

Brewery stocks still good to buy; a notably good thing to come later for those who look a little ahead. Buy the second preference shares of the *New National Railroad of Mexico*—the joining of the three companies will show a large working saving and the government influence is worth much. They are now dirt cheap, but I look for a profit of large size in one year. Leave mines alone this month, I will say something about them next issue.



### Raphael.

A great festival or commemoration in the city, increase of trade. Exchequer returns unfavourable and expenditure high. Dis-

content in post office and railways. Weather wet and unseasonable. Younger generation benefit, and birth-rate increases. Theatres and music halls prosper. Public health bad. Danger of disputes and warfare. Deaths among great people and in Parliamentary circles. Colonial affairs and shipping matters suffer, a strike or lock-out. Changes and unrest in the Commons. Legislation affecting the Poor Law

### Zadkiel.

A critical time for Europe, India, and Mexico is at hand. The transmigration of some king. Troubles in Berlin and Vienna. Danger of encroachment on our interests and treaty rights. Fires and explosions rife. Sickness probable. Plague in India and China. Deeds of murder and violence in the latter country.

### Orion.

Better condition of the people, stimulate trade. Royalty will benefit, and some great ceremonial will take place. Colonial disputes. Anarchists and Socialists renew agitation. Danger to ruling powers of Spain and Portugal. Parliamentary troubles. Danger to navigation, wrecks, explosions, etc. Earthquakes and volcanic action to be feared.

### Old Moore.

Active Parliament, Poor Law legislation. Scientific discovery and honours to men of letters. Trade improve, and a movement to improve theatres. Shah of Persia in danger. Incendiary fires in south of Europe. Public building catastrophe. A new enterprise affecting agriculture. Deaths among rich people. Foundering of a great steamer.

### Francis Moore.

Activity in Parliamentary circles, Poor Law legislation, and changes. Discoveries, honours to men of letters. Improvement in revenue, but troubles in colonial matters. Railways and postal service suffer. Rise in birth-rate and better time for theatres. Danger of disputes with other powers. Shah of Persia in danger.

# Astronomical Phenomena

FOR MARCH, 1909.

1, 2, 28, )	Cancer	16, 17	Capricorn
29, 30 )			
3, 4, 5, 31	Leo	18, 19	Aquarius
6, 7	Virgo	20, 21	Pisces

## The Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	7th	...	2h. 56m. morn.
Last Quarter,	15th	...	3h. 42m. morn.
New Moon,	21st	...	8h. 11m. aft.
First Quarter,	28th	...	4h. 49m. aft.

## Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Pisces until the 21st; then enters Aries on that day at 6h. 13m. a.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star all the month; in Aquarius until 17th, then enters Pisces.
- ♀. VENUS is a morning star all the month; in Aquarius till the 5th; then passes through Pisces, and enters Aries on 29th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star all the month; in opposition with Neptune on 17th, and conjunction Uranus at 10.35 p.m. on the 26th, at a distance of a little over a quarter of a degree.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Virgo all the month; favourably situated for observation.
- ♄. SATURN is in Aries, not well placed for observation, being too near the Sun.
- ♅. URANUS is in Capricorn; close to Mars on 26th.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer, favourable for telescopic observation.
- ☾. The following table gives the Moon's position in the signs on each day at noon.

22, 23	Aries	8, 9, 10	Libra
24, 25	Taurus	11, 12	Scorpio
26, 27	Gemini	13, 14, 15	Sagittarius

## The Weather.

The month opens mild; changeable 3rd, rain about 5th, high winds 8th, stormy 11th; very cold with snow or rain 15th, stormy 17th; variable for some days, gale 26th; 27th and 28th very cold, damp, fog, sleet or snow; stormy end of month.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

## Dissolution and Destiny.

IN two previous articles I have discussed Hindoo Magic—with a note on its relation to the Evolution of Science, and Science and the Supernatural, and I have made certain deductions from this discussion, exercising extreme care to avoid any inculcation of the idea that my object was to reach definite conclusions. Stated briefly, these deductions embrace the following theories which the effluxion of time may convert into postulates.—

1. Much of the so-called magic, spiritualism, apparitions and so forth, are not the outcome of hallucinations, nor are they invariably traceable to the assumed powers of fakirs, dishonest mediums or hypnotists; but are, either by accident or design, practical demonstrations of scientific phenomena.

2. That, in view of the almost incredible acceleration of pace attained to-day in the evolutionary process of science, we cannot afford to deride serious attempts at reaching solutions.

3. That all the achievements of modern science point to the *probability* that æther (which must not be confounded with air, or even atmosphere, as we understand the last) is the cause, foundation and *ultima ratio* of all created things.

From these three deductions, I proceed to examine briefly the outlook disclosed by them, if, with the effluxion of time, they shall attain to the dignity of postulates.

How are they to be examined? An examination

becomes hopeless, a sheer waste of time and absolutely inconclusive if it be allowed to rest on Scriptural authority or tradition of any kind. It is silently acknowledged—it has been silently acknowledged for many decades—by Hebrew scholars, that an *exact* translation of many portions of the Scriptures, always eliminating the purely historical portions, would remove wholly, or, in the greater part, all matter that conflicts with the demonstrated science of to-day. But superstition dies hard. What Paul said to the Athenians applies with equal force to all mankind from the hour of the oration on Mars Hill to the moment in which I write. And it has been to the superstitious element in man that the Church has ever appealed—and not in vain. What more natural? Like every other institution, the Church must live, and, while men are what they are, it is well that the Church should live. But is it well that, in the light of knowledge, as it exists to-day, the Church should continue to live upon the superstitious in man, which is nothing more or less than fear?

Why is man—and man includes the Church—so unreasonable in this matter of life and death, when he insists upon adhering to the dictates of reason in everything else? Why is activity, or the idea of activity, limited to the purely evanescent span of human existence? There is no activity other than that of volition, and volition is indestructible, being an exercise of the spirit which, in turn, is the outcome of æther. If man believes—and for the most part he does—in a continuity of existence and in a permanence of identity, why does he fear dissolution and why does he inordinately cherish and worship the nutshell, which is the only thing affected by dissolution?

The answer to the last question is that the nutshell is inseparable from man's mundane existence, which he calls his destiny, and this destiny is, for the most part, all that he knows or cares anything about. Let a man be of all men most miserable and afflicted, but let this nutshell come into dire peril of annihilation from accident, or disease, and immediately the nutshell becomes as precious to the pauper as to the peer. And this, in spite of the fact that for æons he has seen the nutshells converted into dust and blown in his face by the winds! But his is not all the blame for this worship of matter, for, in one and the same breath, the ruler of his fear—otherwise the Church—bids man believe in the resurrection of this dust. But if this dust be the creation of man—and it is—why should it be any more capable of resurrection than any other fabric created by man? The Church replies, "Because the body of man is a likeness." A likeness? Of what? It will not do to answer that it is a likeness of a supreme being, or of an angel, for this is equivalent to making man the image of a mere conception, and a conception is nothing until it becomes a reality. Man does not recognise riches, health or happiness as conceptions. He only recognises them as realities.

We can no longer afford to accept the absurd. Evolution is the truth and truth is evolution. Dissolution is the end of a phase; but destiny is eternal. That is to say, not the destiny of any particular man, but of *mankind*. The misconception as to the eternal character of destiny has arisen from our confounding

the *animal* soul with the spiritual or ethereal soul. The former, being inherited as a part of our body from our parents, perishes with that body. The ethereal soul, being an integral part of æther, is indestructible and, therefore, is not subject to dissolution. This is truth. In, perhaps, the best known—if it is not the best—of his books, Thomas Hardy describes this truth as "man's consciousness of eternity."

It is an appalling fact, but none the less a fact, that truth *per se* is not, and never has been, a popular element in world life. We none of us care to know the truth unless the latter squares with our ideas, our ambitions or our happiness. This is not to be marvelled at, seeing that our ideas, our ambitions and our happiness, are the outcome and represent the interests of the animal soul, which is part of the nutshell. And the nutshell being something that is artificial, all belonging to it is artificial, and the artificial is, and always will be, incompatible with truth, which is real. It follows, therefore, that the annihilation of the artificial is of little or no consequence, for the annihilation is itself merely a consummation of the artificial.

It is otherwise with the imperishable atom of æther, the ethereal soul, which we inherit at birth from the circumambient æther. It is an hyperbole, it is actually useless for a priest, or anyone else, to baptise the infant "unto eternal life," because the infant is in possession of that life already. More unnecessary still is the practice of delaying the empty ceremony until one has arrived at riper years. How riper? The ripeness consist only of a more intimate knowledge of perishable things. Again the fatuity arises from a confounding of the animal with the ethereal soul. The former, from its very nature, is either evil or prone to evil; the latter, from its very essence, is good. Only environment or education, or both, will improve the nature of the former, while the latter is independent of both.

When this dual quality in man comes to be better understood, we shall better understand what we are, whence we came, and to what end we are appointed. The world is, emphatically, not old. On the contrary it is a raw world. Geologists estimate its age at some 27,000 years—a mere second, if that, of time. The life of the animal soul does not begin to bear the relation to that of the ethereal soul that one moment of our mortal existence bears to these 27,000 years. In the same manner, the end to which we are appointed is an eternal end so far as the ethereal soul is concerned, while in the case of the animal soul it is wholly ephemeral. The end of the latter is directed, and ever has been directed, to the amelioration of its animal existence on this planet and there remains still a colossal field for amelioration. The end of the ethereal soul is to supply, and it always has supplied, the *force* to bring about this amelioration, and since astronomy which is only one of the elements of science, is for ever discovering new worlds in space, it follows that the end of the ethereal soul is illimitable. In other words, its destiny is endless, and in that unfathomable ocean the phase of dissolution between spirit and matter does not attain the proportion of a measurable molecule.

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# The Mysteries of Numbers.

By "NUMERATO."

ONE of our correspondents, some few months ago, wrote to the Editor of the MESSENGER commenting upon Mr. T. S. Eyre's Delphic Oracle, and stated that he should be glad if any light could be thrown upon the subject. He called attention to the fact that the numbers were composed of multiples of 27. He said that there might be something in numbers, but the utility of adding up the multiples of 27 in order to divide them by that number is "one of those things that no 'fella' can understand."

Whether our correspondent was serious in his query, or whether he was trying to be sarcastic at the expense of our contributor, I do not know, but it is quite certain that if he had looked into the matter a little closer he would have discovered that instead of being a question of the multiples of 27, it

was really connected with the number 9 and its powers.

Now in the articles which I have been asked to contribute to these pages on the "Mysteries of Numbers," I am not going to discuss the occult basis or properties of numbers, but to give a number of interesting and amusing mathematical problems which will serve as instructive recreation to both young and old. We will first of all commence with the numbers 9 and 10.

The sum total of the first nine digits, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, is 45, and the sum of these two figures, 4 and 5, equal 9.

The total of the numbers 11 to 19 inclusive is 135. 1 and 3 and 5 equal 9.

The total of the numbers 21 to 29 inclusive is 225. 2 and 2 and 5 equal 9, and so on right up to 91 to 99.

The following table will show this:—

Nos. 1 to 9 = 45	...	4 + 5 = 9	
11 to 19 = 135	...	1 + 3 + 5 = 9	
21 to 29 = 225	...	2 + 2 + 5 = 9	
31 to 39 = 315	...	3 + 1 + 5 = 9	
41 to 49 = 405	...	4 + 0 + 5 = 9	
51 to 59 = 495	...	4 + 9 + 5 = 18	... 1 + 8 = 9
61 to 69 = 585	...	5 + 8 + 5 = 18	... 1 + 8 = 9
71 to 79 = 675	...	6 + 7 + 5 = 18	... 1 + 8 = 9
81 to 89 = 765	...	7 + 6 + 5 = 18	... 1 + 8 = 9
91 to 99 = 855	...	8 + 5 + 5 = 18	... 1 + 8 = 9

These series may be continued indefinitely, but the result will always be 9.

Now let us introduce the number 10 into

this same series and we obtain a still more astonishing result, as the following table will show:—

Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive = 55	...	5 + 5 = 10
11 to 20 " = 155	...	1 + 5 + 5 = 11
21 to 30 " = 255	...	2 + 5 + 5 = 12
31 to 40 " = 355	...	3 + 5 + 5 = 13
91 to 100 " = 955	...	9 + 5 + 5 = 19

Thus it will be seen that the sum total of the digits increases 1 in each calculation. Leaving additions we will take multiplications. Multiply any number by 9; the sum of the figures in the result will be 9, as below:

$8 \times 9 = 72$	...	$7 + 2 = 9$
$12 \times 9 = 108$	...	$1 + 0 + 8 = 9$
$135 \times 9 = 1215$	...	$1 + 2 + 1 + 5 = 9$
$2417 \times 9 = 21753$	...	$2 + 1 + 7 + 5 + 3 = 18 \dots 1 + 8 = 9$

Now if 10 be added to each of these, the sum of the figures will be 10.

$72 + 10 = 82$	...	$8 + 2 = 10$
$108 + 10 = 118$	...	$1 + 1 + 8 = 10$
$1215 + 10 = 1225$	...	$1 + 2 + 2 + 5 = 10$
$21753 + 10 = 21763$	...	$2 + 1 + 7 + 6 + 3 = 19 \dots 1 + 9 = 10$

Two interesting problems are given as a conclusion to this month's paper. Multiply 1 by 9, and continue to multiply the result by 9, and the sum of each multiplication will be 9.

$1 \times 9 = 9$	...	$= 9$
$9 \times 9 = 81$	...	$8 + 1 = 9$
$81 \times 9 = 729$	...	$7 + 2 + 9 = 18 \dots 1 + 8 = 9$
$729 \times 9 = 6561$	...	$6 + 5 + 6 + 1 = 18 \dots 1 + 8 = 9$
$6561 \times 9 = 59049$	...	$5 + 9 + 0 + 4 + 9 = 27 \dots 2 + 7 = 9$

This may also be continued indefinitely, but the result will always be 9. Multiply the result by one figure less each time, the total of the figures in each result will be 9.

Multiply 9 by itself and continue to multi-

9	$\times$	9	$=$	81	$=$	9
81	$\times$	8	$=$	648	$=$	18
648	$\times$	7	$=$	4536	$=$	18
4536	$\times$	6	$=$	27216	$=$	18
27216	$\times$	5	$=$	136080	$=$	18
136080	$\times$	4	$=$	544320	$=$	18
544320	$\times$	3	$=$	1632960	$=$	27
1632960	$\times$	2	$=$	3265920	$=$	27
3265920	$\times$	1	$=$	3265920	$=$	27

In our next article we will continue these experiments and introduce to our readers some problems of subtraction and reversal of numbers.

# Sound Values in English.

By "ASTROLABUS."

**S**EVERAL readers having written to me with a request for an article in "Ours" on the above. I am complying. All students are aware that the assignation of numerical values to letters was the only way (that we are aware of) by which the ancients could express numbers. We owe our numeral characters or figures to the Arabs who formed them by making use of the crescent, line, cross, and circle.

Modern students of sound values in names are aware that Hebrew—the language of the Qabala—forms the basis

of all their systems and ideas. But there is one essential point in which such students have entirely departed from their Hebrew model, and it is my purpose to give convincing arguments to prove that their plan is wrong and could never have been right, and secondly, to advance a plan which has the merit, at least, of being an attempt to remodel the matter in strict accordance with the Hebraic idea. I give herewith a table showing my plan at a glance. Whether it is perfect or not is of no moment at the present juncture. Others more skilled than myself in the domain of phonetics may judge of that, and improve it where improvement is necessary. But I am satisfied of one thing, and that is, that the conception is true and hence that in very few points will it be possible to cavil at the arrangement.

And now for my arguments to prove that the present system as taught is wrong.

Firstly, any Hebrew grammar that one can get hold of, gives on the very first page a table of characters or letters, and a line or two farther down, adds the information that they are *all* Consonants.

How then can any books which assign figure values to vowels be correct?

Secondly, the system of getting the number value of a name by multiplying the figure value of each letter by another number representing the ordinal position of the letter in the word, does not agree with the Hebrew way of denoting numbers by letters. Consult any Hebrew grammar for the proof.

Thirdly, in Hebrew, the vowels (which put one in mind of the vowel system in Pitman's Shorthand in their arrangement), carry no number value, and are

expressed by dots underneath (excepting two) the consonants. Hebrew words may be, and often are, written without vowels at all. The consonant is the distinguishing feature and the one essential. I think the late Sir Isaac Pitman must have been a student of Hebrew at some time in his early life. At any rate there is not much originality in these two features of his shorthand. I think these considerations will be rather difficult to overcome *against* my

Table of Sound Values of Consonants in English.

No.	UNITS.	TENS.	HUNDREDS.
1	<b>h</b> aspirate <i>soft, as in front of long vowels.</i>	<b>y</b>	<b>kw</b> or <b>gw</b> . (qu)
2	<b>b</b> or <b>v</b>	<b>k</b> medial	<b>r</b> that is the roll or trill
3	<b>g</b> hard	<b>l</b>	<b>s</b> or <b>sh</b> final, or its cognate in any position.
4	<b>d</b>	<b>m</b> initial or medial	<b>t</b> or <b>th</b> final
5	<b>h</b> aspirate <i>hard, as in front of short vowels.</i>	<b>n</b> initial or medial	<b>k</b> final
6	<b>w</b>	<b>s</b> initial or medial	<b>m</b> final
7	<b>z</b>	<b>j</b> or soft <b>g</b> <b>nk</b> or <b>ng</b>	<b>n</b> final
8	<b>k</b> initial	<b>p</b> or <b>f</b> initial or medial	<b>p</b> or <b>f</b> final
9	<b>t</b> or <b>th</b> initial or medial	<b>ts</b> or <b>ds</b> medial (as in Betsey)	<b>ts</b> or <b>ds</b> when final

suggestions. Now, if we are to adapt the calculations of the Qabala to English *at all* we must try by all means in our power to preserve the root idea, and that is, reject the vowel sounds entirely in calculating a number value to a name, and not perform any multiplications, but simply add the sound values of the consonants together. In addition we must take all precautions possible to find out the sounds in our language most approximating to the Hebrew sounds, and give them the corresponding values to those they would have in Hebrew itself. This is rather difficult, but not, I think, entirely impossible. In the first place the matter of the letter "Aleph" is likely

to be the biggest bone of contention, so I will deal with it at the outset. Its effect in Hebrew is to give a slight aspirate sound. The letter itself in Hebrew is styled "silent," and this character agrees with a soft breathing effect. Hence in my table I have given number 1 in the units the soft sound of "h" as we hear it in front of *long* vowels. Number 5 in units takes the sharper, harder sound of the aspirate "h" as we hear it in front of *short* vowel sounds. Number 8 in units I have given to *initial* "k," owing to its slightly guttural nature, corresponding the nearest in our language to the German "ch" as in *buch*, which, as the Hebrew grammar tells us, is the sound of "Heth" the letter in question. "K" medial has a much stronger sound, hence I compare it with "Kaph" whose value in Hebrew is twenty. Seventy in Hebrew is represented, we are taught, by "Gayin," corresponding to a "g" not sounded, or suppressed as it were, as the "g" in "ng" or "nk." "Nk" is to some ears *not* a form of "ng," but if they think they will see that an "ng" occurs in sounding "ink," as well as a final "k." And a "g" suppressed occurs in sounding "ing." I don't think that an "n" occurs here, as if one says "in" and then afterwards "ink" they will find that their tongue and palate do not act quite in the same way. However, that is *one* of the points for the consideration of someone greater than myself on the matter.

"Kw," "Gw," and "Qu" give us the only analogue we have in English to the peculiar guttural sound of the Hebrew "Qoph." To have the sound value of "R" in a name one *must* have its characteristic trill or roll. If *this* is not present the "R" must not be counted.

There are no other points in the table which can possibly be questioned, as the rest of the table is in full agreement (with no possible chance of mistake) with the Hebrew, at any rate as far as the grammars go which I have seen. The only doubt perhaps might be put down against including the final "th" as against 400.

In all cases the *sounds* must be studied as they actually occur in the spoken English word *and not the letters used to represent* them, as every one knows that English is deficient in consonants for the representation of the different consonant sounds.

It now remains to test these ideas in practice. Good books (within the reach of our readers) by which to test these ideas are Sepharia's "Little Book of Magic," the same author's "Cabalistic Astrology," and Sheikh Habeeb Ahmad's "Sound and Number." Personally, I like Astrology better than the Qabala.

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## CHAPTER V. (Continued).

### SUCCESS.

We will now turn our attention to the second house and the planets therein.

The Sun in the second is a good influence for money, always bringing gain and success, and makes financial affairs more or less successful. There is a danger of spending freely and of extravagance, especially if afflicted, but in any case the greater the expenditure, the greater the income. It also shows gain through speculation. If well aspected, especially by Jupiter, it is the best position possible for financial success; if by Saturn, through thrift, responsible undertakings, investment in land and buildings; but if afflicted by these planets it brings heavy expenditure, financial crashes and ruin. Saturn especially in evil aspect is a shocking affliction right through life.

The Moon in the second is a variable influence, financial affairs fluctuating like the Moon, first up, then down. Matters to do with the public are the best for financial success, investments in public companies, and such concerns as cater for the public. It gives personal ability to make money, and brings ultimate success. When in good aspect to Sol, Jupiter, and Venus, it is a successful position; by Mars, gives enterprise and executive ability to make money; by Saturn, prudence and thrift. If afflicted, brings many losses, some small, others great, and makes money matters a trouble all through life.

Mercury in the second is another variable influence. Gain is shown in business, trade, commercial, literary, and intellectual matters, professional pursuits, writing, teaching, and all mental occupations. When well aspected it gives financial ability, and more than ordinary success, gain through cleverness, skill, and intellectual ability. When afflicted, brings losses through sharp practice, theft, fraud, forgery, bad judgment, carelessness in correspondence, and in signing papers.

Venus in the second is a splendid influence for money. It does not indicate a great abundance of wealth unless well aspected, but money always comes easily, and there is never any fear of poverty or actual distress in a financial way. Success is shown in all the fine arts, and in refined occupations especially connected with the gentler sex and their requirements. When afflicted it brings losses through carelessness, extravagance, vanity, over-generosity, prodigality, and through sensuous as well as sensual pleasures.

Mars in the second is both good and evil. It brings gain through energy and skill, and the native with this position can often make a sixpence go farther than many can make a shilling. Extravagant tendencies are shown, living beyond one's means, and being too generous and liberal. When well aspected it increases the wage earning capacity through speculation, investment, enterprise, and executive power; but if badly aspected causes losses through law, theft, impulse and rash acts, and through plunging beyond one's depth.

Jupiter in the second house is one of the best positions for money and prosperity, and makes the life fortunate right through. Finance always comes in some way or another, especially from social considerations, and matters to do with enterprise and professional ability. When well aspected by the Sun, Moon, or Saturn, it brings remarkable success and gain through inheritance, land or property, according to the position of the aspecting planet. If afflicted, it conduces to heavy expenses, litigation, and losses in large undertakings. Mars afflicting Jupiter is one of the worst aspects for financial success possible.

Saturn in the second house is not necessarily an evil influence, much depends on the sign in which it is placed. When well placed it conduces to gain by industry, plodding perseverance, carefulness, thrift, and economy.

It gives delays and hindrances to financial advancement, and more labour and hard work than luck or good fortune. When badly afflicted by the luminaries, it is the worst position possible and will bring ill luck right through life, poverty and distress. Uranus in the second shows gain through invention, enterprise, advanced ideas, and brings sudden and unexpected gains and equally sudden losses. Money comes when least expected, and from unknown sources. Investments in railways, motor traction, public companies, and especially concerns to do with higher thought and metaphysics. When well aspected it brings remarkable gains, but if evilly aspected it conduces to heavy losses, financial crashes, and ultimate ruin.

Neptune in the second is both evil and good. It brings gain through company work, psychic affairs, navigation, and unique concerns. It brings losses through fraud, swindling, imposition, dishonesty, bogus companies, and similar reprehensible undertakings. Financial affairs are more or less in a confused and chaotic condition, though at the same time a good income may be earned. It is a confusing and worrying influence in regard to money.

The sixth house now claims our attention. This is not so important, but it has special reference to employments and the comforts of life. The Sun therein shows positions of trust and subordinate occupations of a honourable nature. It brings material comforts, and many benefits through others.

The Moon in the sixth gives common employments, very subordinate positions, but the comforts of life are variable, and benefits accrue through the public and public affairs.

Mercury in the sixth gives employments connected with business and trade, but brings few opportunities for promotion. It also causes much worry and anxiety in general affairs.

Venus in the sixth brings inferior employments connected with the planet, comfort and pleasure.

Mars in the sixth gives employment connected with fire, metals, machinery, and the like, but little comfort, and much unrest.

Jupiter in the sixth is good, bringing occupations of a honourable nature, subordinate positions in good concerns, and much comfort and material happiness, everything conducing to native's welfare.

Saturn in the sixth gives little comfort in life, very common and unremunerative occupations, and is a very evil position.

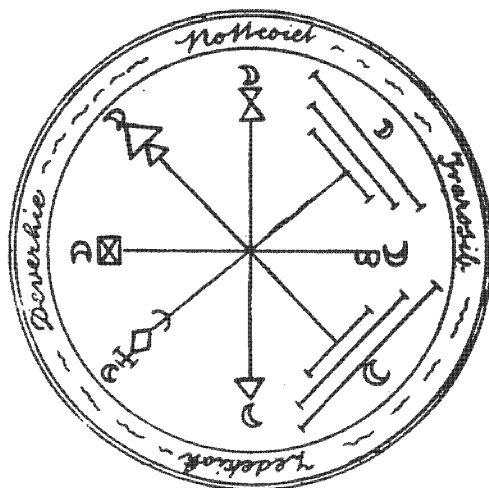
Uranus in the sixth gives employments to do with invention, electricity, astrology, and metaphysics. It does not conduce to much comfort, unless the native is left free to follow his occupation independently and without restriction, then it gives much happiness.

Neptune in the sixth is doubtful as to comfort and welfare, but gives employments connected with water, psychic matters, company work, and questionable concerns.

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By GEORGE WILDE.

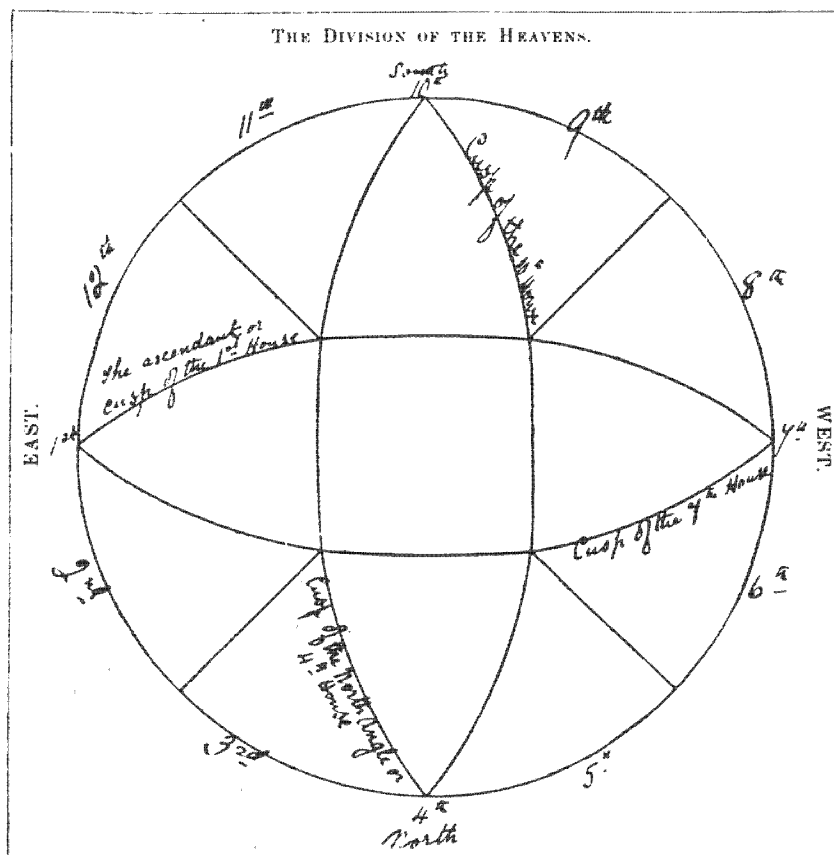
**T**HE heavens are divided by astrologers into twelve equal spaces, called Houses, the first of which commences with the eastern horizon, and extends below to 1-12th (or 30°) of the sphere. The second is the next 30° of space below

or eastward of the first, and so on with the rest. The fourth house thus commences with the point directly below the earth, called the Nadir, and the seventh house begins with and extends to 30° above the western horizon. The tenth house is accordingly

composed of the 30° eastward of and preceding the culminating point in the Heavens called the Zenith (M.C.), or mid-heaven. The accompanying diagram shows the position of the houses. The Eastern horizon is placed on the left-hand side, and the Western to

the right. The earth is in the centre of the circle. But in Southern latitudes the ascendant would be on the right-hand side.

Each of these houses has its distinct effect on the person and the circumstances of his life.



*The First House —* The sign rising and planets therein show the appearance, and to some extent the disposition of the person. Planets in the first house, though not actually in the ascending sign, are next in power and influence. Hence  $\uparrow$  might be

on the cusp, or commencing degree of the house, and  $\downarrow$  in  $\text{vs.}$  also in the first. When this is so students must judge between the blend of these influences, carefully noting how each planet in these signs is aspected by the other planets.

*The Second House—*This has a strong signification of the person's pecuniary affairs and personal property.

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*The Third House*—This is associated with brothers and sisters, letters, neighbours, writings, and short journeys. When occupied by the Planets it largely influences the mind.

*The Fourth House*—This relates to the father of the person, also to the person's property and inheritance. It indicates the person's position at the end of life.

*The Fifth House*—Relates to the offspring, also to the person's success in speculation, betting, games and pleasures.

*The Sixth House*—Servants, inferiors, small cattle, sickness and disease. The signs occupied by the afflicted planets shows the weak or afflicted parts of the body.

*The Seventh House*—Marriage, the wife or husband, partnerships, law-suits, contentions, public enemies and opponents.

*The Eighth House*—Legacies, personal property of the marriage partner.

*The Ninth House*—Long journeys by sea or land, religion, creeds, dreams. It has great influence on the mind and inclinations, especially when a planet is found therein.

*The Tenth House*—The employment or profession of the person; the honour, credit and reputation; the mother's condition.

*The Eleventh House*—Friends, hopes, wishes, mother's property. The friends correspond to the nature of planets therein.

*The Twelfth House*—Secret enemies, sorrow, imprisonment; large cattle. The malefic planets ( $\zeta$ ,  $\psi$ ,  $\delta$  and  $\mu$ ) here, show many secret foes.

Planets in the 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th houses are said to be angular and have great power. Anyone with  $\gamma$  in the mid-heaven receives much good fortune when the luminaries are in good aspect with  $\gamma$ .  $\delta$  or  $\zeta$  in the mid-heaven brings disaster when the  $\odot$  or  $\sphericalangle$  arrives at a  $\angle$ ,  $\square$ ,  $\square$ , or  $\delta$  to these planets.

The 1st and 10th houses are the strongest. Planets therein exert a predominating influence over the person throughout his life. The next in power are the 7th and 4th, 9th and 3rd. The 6th and 8th houses are considered to be the weakest. A planet placed in the 12th would, we believe, be stronger than one in the 5th house; because the

former would be rising, while the latter would be already below the earth. A planet on the cusp of the 10th is at the meridian of power. The 2nd, 5th, 8th and 11th are called the succedent houses, and the 3rd, 6th, 9th and 12th cadent houses. The cusp of a house, like a planet, is allowed its orb of influence, which is generally stated at  $5^\circ$ . There is, however, every reason to believe that a planet influences a house when more than  $5^\circ$  distant. Especially is this so with planets of a superior orb. For instance,  $\gamma$  whose orb is  $10^\circ$ , would influence the cusp of any house when  $7^\circ$  distant from the cusp. But beyond  $7^\circ$  his influence may possibly be considered to be transferred to the next house. Possibly the nearer a planet is to the cusp, the stronger its influence.

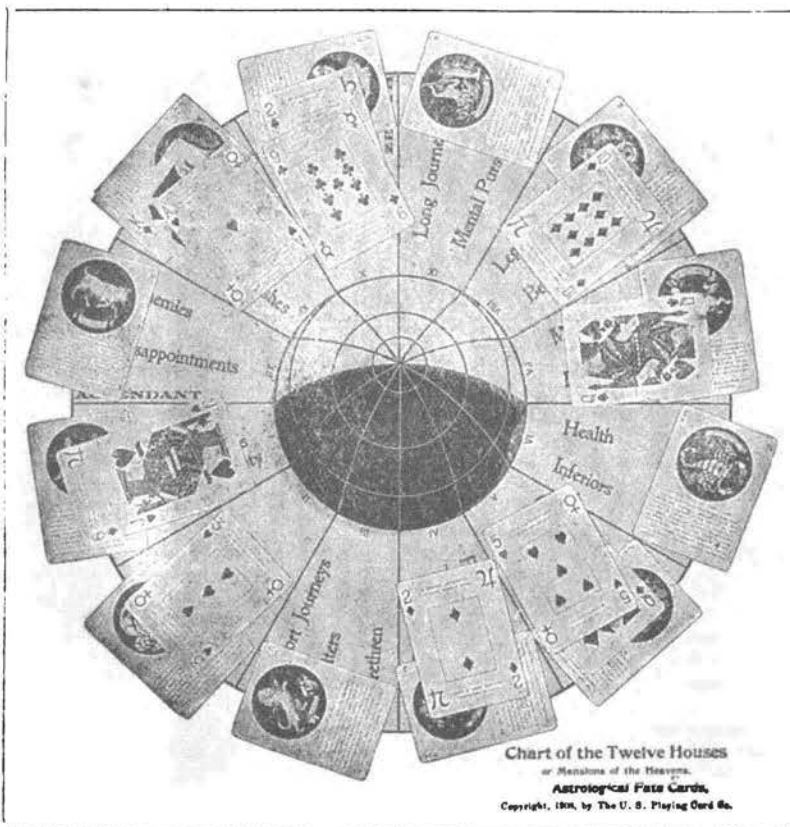
The following example will suffice to show whether a planet does or does not affect a certain house. Take his orb, and adding to that  $5^\circ$  divide by 2. Suppose Mars were  $6^\circ$  past the culminating point of the mid-heaven, and we wished to know if he really influenced this important angle. Take his orb, which is  $8^\circ$ , add to it  $5^\circ$ , which make  $13^\circ$ . This divided by 2, is  $6\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ . Hence Mars would influence that angle so long as he remained within  $6\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ . Too much attention cannot be paid to this point. Each house has its planetary lord or ruler. The ruler is the planet whose sign is on the cusp. Thus  $\gamma$  would be the ruler of a house on the cusp of which is one of the degrees of  $\gamma$  or  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  would be lord of a house which commenced with one of the degrees of  $\delta$  or  $\epsilon$ . The term "ascendant" (usually written "asc.") is generally used by astrologers as referring to the degree ascending, or to the 1st house; but when used in the course of this work, must be understood to have a somewhat wider meaning, namely, the sign ascending added to the 1st house. A planet is dominant in the horoscope when in the ascendant, or aspecting  $\psi$ ,  $\sphericalangle$  or  $\odot$ , which are called the mental rulers. Its influence is also very marked when found in the 3rd, 9th, 4th or 7th house in aspect to the  $\sphericalangle$  or  $\psi$ , but it is powerfully influential in any part of the figure when in  $\delta$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\Delta$ ,  $\star$ , or  $\square$  to the lords of the ascendant or planets placed therein.

# Astrological Fate Cards.

**W**HEN introducing in the January issue of THE MESSENGER our Astrological Fate Cards, we had no idea they would cause such a stir among our readers. We have had many letters of congratulation, and as some have asked the question when cards were introduced as a means of divination we think that a few words on the subject will not be out of place. Cards as an instrument of divination in the past few centuries have been by the many considered to be but a popular means of a amusement or a game for momentary diversion. For the enlightened, along occult lines, cards, though modernised for present day requirements, are a book carrying us back to the remotest antiquity, and symbolising the primitive alphabet of mankind, in which the hieroglyphic figures of the Tarot were recognised as the "key of all things hidden from the beginning of the world."

All the mysteries of the ancient world, all the science of the patriarchs, and all the historical traditions of primeval times, were comprehended in the Tarot—the prototype of modern playing cards, the very name of Tarot being derived from Tora, the sacra-

mental name given by the Jews to their sacred books. Essentially it was a Book of Prophecy, founded on a scientific interpretation of Astral laws and principles as applied to human events and natural occurrences. It was the original text-book of astrology, regarded by the ancients as



the science of sciences, the religion of religions.

It was not until the 14th Century, A.D., that cards were diverted from their original purpose as a vehicle of prophecy. Then (1393, A.D.) the Court Astrologer of Charles VII. of France, who in endeavouring to restore the reason of His Majesty by answering his royal questions and making hopeful predictions, resorted to this Key to

the Oracles, elaborately illuminated by the modern symbols. The mad king saw in the game nothing but an amusing pastime, and thus comes to us the mutilated vestige of the Universal Key to all the ancient doctrines and philosophies. Nevertheless, the existing system of Cartomancy is founded on an exact mathematical basis, there being a scientific reason for the particular meaning

of each numeral, suit, planetary and zodiacal card, and for the colour of each mystic emblem. These Astrological Fate Cards have been faithfully compiled by John Hazelrigg, a life-long student of astral law. We give an illustration of a horoscope laid out with these cards. The cards, horoscope map, and full instructions, post free 3s. 9d.

A. R.

## Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

MARCH, 1909.

1	8 ♄ 16	Safeguard the health. A good day for dealing with superiors, attending to social matters and important affairs between 2 and 5 p.m.
2	20 ♀ 33	An evil day for travelling. Keep quiet and avoid disputes.
3	2 ♀ 41	An unimportant day; attend to ordinary duties.
4	14 ♀ 42	A doubtful day; avoid correspondence and have no dealings with agents, lawyers and literary people.
5	26 ♀ 38	A good day for travelling, but not for pleasure or dealing with the other sex.
6	8 ♀ 32	A splendid day for new work and enterprises, social duties, travel, enterprise, marriage and intercourse with other sex.
7	20 ♀ 25	Travel in morning. The rest of day is quiet.
8	2 ♀ 18	An unimportant day. Safeguard health.
9	14 ♀ 12	An evil day for all purposes. Attend to ordinary duties and act discreetly in all things.
10	26 ♀ 10	A fairly successful day for new work, correspondence and business.
11	8 ♀ 13	A good day for travel, changes, social duties, marriage, new work and enterprises, and for pushing affairs. Quarrels should be avoided, also too much expenditure.
12	20 ♀ 25	Business, correspondence, travel, dealings with superiors and asking favours, should be undertaken before 3 p.m. The rest of the day is evil for all purposes.
13	2 ♀ 49	A doubtful day. Act discreetly and avoid lawyers.
14	15 ♀ 28	A doubtful day. Avoid travel and changes.
15	28 ♀ 29	A good day for business, pleasure and correspondence, but safeguard the health.
16	11 ♀ 54	An evil day. Safeguard the health, avoid quarrels, accidents and law. The evening is good for pleasure.
17	25 ♀ 47	Ask favours of superiors at midday. Evil for all else.
18	10 ♀ 8	Deal with elderly people between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.
19	24 ♀ 55	An unimportant day. Avoid quarrels and keep quiet.
20	10 ♀ 3	A changeable day until 2 p.m. Then travel, attend to business and correspondence, important matters and new enterprises.
21	25 ♀ 21	A good day for travel, changes, seeking employment, and dealing with superiors and the opposite sex.
22	10 ♀ 40	An unfortunate day for all purposes. Act discreetly and safeguard the health.
23	25 ♀ 46	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties.
24	10 ♀ 31	A favourable day. Travel, change, attend to business and correspondence, commence new undertakings and push affairs.
25	24 ♀ 49	Another good day till 3 p.m. New works and enterprises, travel, and important matters should be dealt with before that hour.
26	8 ♀ 37	The influences are too mixed to choose this day for any particular purpose. Elderly people may be successfully dealt with. Avoid travel and beware of fire and explosions.
27	21 ♀ 57	An unfortunate day, except for social matters and pleasures. Accidents should be guarded against.
28	4 ♀ 50	Not a good day. Health should be safeguarded; superiors approached discreetly.
29	17 ♀ 23	An evil day. Deal with correspondence, but avoid disputes, fire, accidents and explosions.
30	29 ♀ 38	A fairly successful day for social matters and pleasure.
31	11 ♀ 42	Mixed influences prevail until afternoon. Then deal with elderly people, study and improve the mind.

# Horoscopes of Notable Women.

MADAME STEINHEIL.

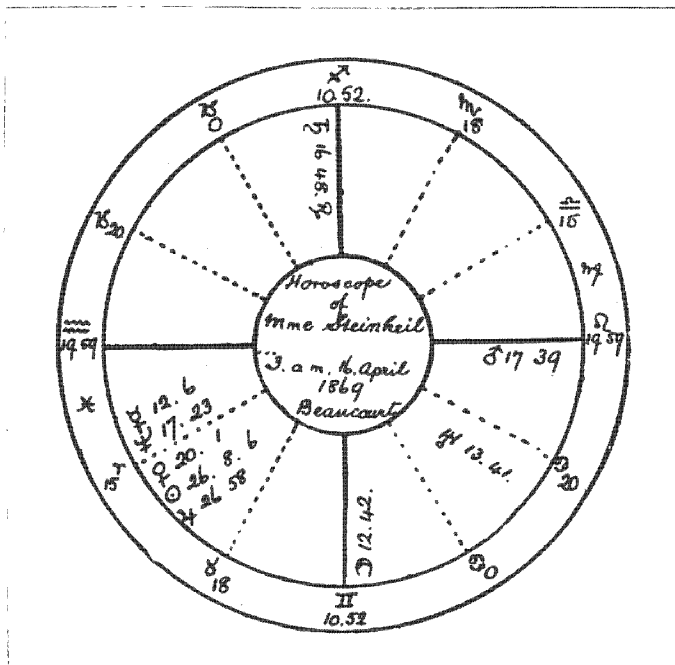
**W**E have pleasure in presenting to our readers the horoscope of the notorious "Red Woman" of Paris, who was born at Beaucourt, on April 16th, 1869, at 3 a.m.

The horoscope shows Aquarius rising, Mars exactly setting in Leo, Saturn on the meridian in opposition to the Moon in the fourth. Uranus on the cusp of the sixth in Cancer. Mercury, Venus and Neptune in conjunction in Aries, close to the Sun, and Jupiter conjoined in the same sign, all of these five planets being in the second house. Very little is required to judge the temperament of this remarkable woman. Mercury conjoined with Neptune, and both in square to Uranus, tend to a highly strung nervous temperament, hysterical, neurotic, and to a very great extent obsessed. The imagination is remarkable, in fact, the mental gifts, if directed in a proper channel, are of a remarkable type, as both Mercury and Neptune are conjoined with Venus, and in trine to both Saturn and Mars. But it is the square of Uranus to the three planets in Aries which produces the evil, and gives a kind of insanity, morbidity of the cerebral functions, resulting in hallucination and obsession. Poison seems to play a prominent

part in this horoscope, for the conjunction of Mercury, Venus and Neptune squared by Uranus, would cause a weakness to drug-taking, narcotics and poisons.

The horoscope is one which shows ultimate downfall and ruin, for the Moon in the fourth house, opposed to Saturn, with that planet elevated would be bound to bring this at some time of life. Besides this there is extreme danger of suicide through poison.


Looking at the directions operating at the present time, we find them full of potent significance. The Sun is in semi-square to Neptune, and applying to the same aspect with Venus; in exact parallel with Saturn, while the Moon since Sept. last has formed successively the square of Mars P., opposition Sun P., sesquiquadrate of Neptune and Venus R., and



is now forming the opposition of Venus P., while the meridian has reached the square of Venus R., and the Moon reaches the conjunction of Saturn in Sept. next. By converse direction the Sun is approaching the square of Saturn R., and what is more noticeable the parallel of Neptune. The deductions obtainable from such directions as these are quite obvious, making it altogether one of the most remarkable horoscopes yet published.

## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### V.—THE ASTEROIDS.

 UR celestial vehicle is now traversing that immense belt of space of over three hundred millions of miles which lies between the orbits of Jupiter and Mars, wherein many hundreds of tiny planets revolve.

Many of these little planets which are called the Asteroids are minute objects, some only a few hundreds of miles in diameter, others larger. How they came to be in this condition is a matter of conjecture, the only solution being that at one time, many millions of years ago, there revolved a large planet between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter, and during its molten stage (as we read of Jupiter in the last issue) it was exploded or blown to pieces by the force of its own internal fires, and the pieces of this planet, each no doubt in a molten condition, started to revolve around the Sun, and by degrees became solidified as they cooled and now form this ring of minute and interesting bodies.

How they came to be discovered was a matter of interest, and shows the skill of the astronomers of not many years ago. It was often thought that this large region between Mars and Jupiter was tenanted by some planet, and this was so strongly felt that at the end of the 18th Century a large number of astronomers decided to unite and search for this unknown planet. The first discovery was made by the astronomer Piazzi.

His plan was as follows: On a certain night he would select a number of stars, and determine their position. On the following night he would observe the same fifty, and so on night after night. He would then compare the places of the stars on one night with those on the succeeding night, to see if any had moved. He carried on these observations for a long time, and on the first of January, 1801, he commenced his observations on the 159th series of stars. Fifty of these were examined and their places re-

corded. One of these stars appeared different to the rest. The examination of the same fifty was made on the three following nights, and then their positions were compared. He then found that this certain star had moved, and was in a different position each night. A few more days' observation proved to show that this little body, afterwards called Ceres, revolved round the Sun, and in the vacant space between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter. Three others were soon afterwards discovered, Pallas, Juno and Vesta, all of which it was found revolved round the Sun in this vacant space. Then for a long time none were discovered, and it was not until forty years had passed before a fifth was added to the list, and since then discoveries of new planets, all revolving in this particular belt of space were discovered. The number now amounts to several hundreds.

Of the composition of these small planets it is impossible to say. They may be like our earth, divided into continents and oceans, and there may be life, but if it is so, it must be life quite different to what we are familiar with.

A great deal might be said on the subject of the asteroids, but space prevents, and so we will now pass on to one of our nearer neighbours, the Star of Strength, the Red planet Mars.

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### Answers to Correspondents.

INQUIRER.—If you subscribe to the MESSENGER, not otherwise.

T. S.—You cannot do better than "Arcana of Astrology." Post free 12s. 9d.

SIGNA.—"Every Man a King," is the book you are looking for. See review in this issue.

DOUBTFUL.—Don't touch it. See Stock Exchange notes.

CLAPHAM.—Yes, new edition "Kabalistic Astrology" now ready.

Q. R. S.—Do not think subject interesting enough.

SUN.—Bookseller should charge 7s. not 10s. 6d. for "The Horoscope," vols. I. and II. We have a few left.

# **Birthday Influences during March.**

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ☾, △ ☉, □ ♀, \* ♀, 8 ♀. A changeable year, danger of accidents, bereavement and indisposition, benefits through others, improvement of position and gain in business. A child born on this day will be rash, impetuous, and often in trouble, will have many friends and helpers and gain through superiors and in the employment of others.

2. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ☾, ♂ ♄, 8 ♄. An unfavourable birthday, many changes and upsets, worries and danger of disputes and accidents. A child born on this day will be abrupt, impulsive and wayward, somewhat bad tempered and rash.

3. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♄, ♄ ♄ & ♄. An unfavourable year, many changes and annoyances, upsets and secret attacks. A child born on this day will be weak and wayward, whimsical and fanciful, and make little headway in life.

4. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♃, △ ♀, 8 ♀. A doubtful year, some benefits through elders, but many worries and annoyances through letters, also dangers of scandal. A child born on this day will be steady and contemplative, very trustworthy, but in danger of over reaching himself through sharp practice, and should guard against scandal and slander.

5. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♀, 8 ♀ par ♀. A doubtful year, changes, voyages, benefits through correspondence, and business, but trouble through the other sex and grief. A child born on this day will be psychic and impressionable, fond of the sea, clever and intelligent, but liable to trouble and sorrow through the other sex.

6. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♄, \* ♄, ♂ ♄, △ ♀. A splendid year, changes, advancement, social and financial gain, marriage and success through the other sex. A child born on this day will be successful in life, advance beyond the sphere of its birth, gain much approbation and prosperity and make a good marriage.

7. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♄, 8 ☉, △ ♄. A changeable year, danger of indisposition and loss of employment, but some favourable changes and social and financial benefit. A child born on this day will be successful in life, will travel, be clever and intuitive, but should be careful in dealings with superiors and never undertake business on own account.

8. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♄ par ☉, ♄ ♀, ♂ △ ♄. A fairly successful year for new works and enterprises, some danger of indisposition, but gain through superiors. A child born on this day will be active, enterprising and skilful, be handicapped by poor health, but will gain in business and employ.

9. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars), ♀ in ♄, □ ♄, ♄ & ♀, 8 ♀. A bad year, danger of accidents,

disputes, litigation, indisposition and much trouble. A child born on this day will be hot tempered and rash, have a hard struggle in life, and much to contend against, and come to a wretched end.

10. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♄, △ ♄ par ☉. A successful year, promotion and gain in business, benefits from superiors, but slight domestic troubles. A child born on this day will be active and successful, clever and industrious, and should make good progress in life.

11. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♄, \* ♄, \* ♄, △ ♄. A successful year with social and financial benefits, many favourable changes, intercourse with other sex, and marriage or engagement. A child born on this day will rise in life and have many opportunities for success, will be in danger of disputes and litigation, but should nevertheless succeed.

12. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus), ♀ in ♄, △ ☉, △ ♄, \* ♄, □ ♄. A changeable year, some benefits, improvement of position, gain through superiors, but troubles through letters and young people. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, intuitive and original, should be careful not to over reach himself and be careful in speech.

13. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♄, □ ♄. An unimportant year, slight financial troubles and losses. A child born on this day will have an uneventful life, will tend to be rather extravagant, and suffer financial loss at times.

14. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♄, △ ♄, □ ♄ par ♄ & ♄. An unfavourable year, many changes and upsets, secret attacks and unpleasant experiences. A child born on this day will be rash and erratic, impressionable and variable, but will not have an eventful career.

15. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♄, □ ☉, \* ♄. A doubtful year, danger of indisposition and bereavement, but success in business or profession. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, but will be handicapped by ill health and family conditions.

16. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♄, 8 ♄, □ ♄, ♂ ♄, △ ♄, \* ♄. Not a good birthday, danger of accidents, indisposition and disputes, some financial benefits, and trouble in home affairs. A child born on this day will have much trouble in life, be rash and impetuous, in danger of injury and law, but will benefit through the other sex.

17. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♄, \* ☉, ♂ ♄. A changeable year, benefits in employ, promotion and success, but danger of disputes, accidents and indisposition. A child born on this day will be hot-tempered and revengeful, will gain in employ and through superiors.

18. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, \* ♃. A quiet year generally with benefits in employ, but many little ups and downs and annoyances from others. A child born on this day will do well in business and employ, but should guard against secret enemies and underhand attacks. Elderly people will favour him.

19. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃. A quiet and uneventful year, slight indisposition and worries. A child born on this day will have a quiet and uneventful career, with slight troubles through enemies and opponents.

20. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃, \* ♃, ♄ ♃. A fairly successful year, changes, social and financial gains, success in new work and enterprises, but danger of heavy expenses and losses. A child born on this day will be clever, acute, enterprising and very successful in life, provided the extravagant tendency can be kept down.

21. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, \* ♃, ♄ ♃. A successful year, many benefits, changes, romantic episodes and marriage, benefits in business and employ. A child born on this day will be musical, artistic, clever and intuitive, and should have a successful career.

22. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃. An unfortunate year, many changes and upsets, indisposition and trouble. Bereavement is threatened in the family, but benefits in employ. A child born on this day should always remain in employ and never undertake responsibilities, will have much to contend with in life, but with care may surmount his difficulties. There is danger of grave troubles, and an ill end.

23. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃. A very successful year, many benefits social and financial, improvement of position, and gain through superiors and friends. A child born on this day will rise in life, have many opportunities for success, and should be clever and well esteemed.

24. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃, \* ♃. A successful year, changes and benefits in employ, financial gain and improvement in position. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent and acute, will rise in life and gain approval and esteem from others.

25. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃, \* ♃. Another successful birthday, new work and enterprises, changes and travel, benefits through the other sex, and much gain. A child born on this day will be active, enterprising and progressive, will gain through travel and adventure, and be very successful.

26. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, \* ♃, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃. A changeable year, benefits in employ, and through elderly people, but many troubles and annoyances through letters and young people, and some danger of grief or bereavement. A child born on this day will do well in the employ of others through whom he benefits, but will be somewhat rash and impulsive, and bring many troubles upon himself thereby.

27. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃. An evil year, danger of accident

and injury, beware of fire and explosions. Financial benefits are shown. A child born on this day will be rash and unruly, impetuous and hot-tempered, will benefit through the other sex, but should guard against accidents and explosions.

28. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃, \* ♃. An evil year, indisposition, bereavement, trouble in employment, but benefits through friends. A child born on this day will have many troubles and trials to contend with, be handicapped with bad health, but will have friends and supporters.

29. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃. A changeable year, benefits in business, but unexpected changes and upsets. A child born on this day will be clever, but erratic and changeable, should guard against accidents and law, and always remain in the employ of others.

30. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃. A quiet year, financial benefits and gain through the other sex. A child born on this day will be musical and refined, rather hot-tempered, and have a generally successful life.

31. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃, ♄ ♃. A variable year, danger of accidents and disputes, but improvement in position and many benefits. A child born on this day will be rash and daring, impetuous and independent, clever, intelligent and trustworthy. Will gain through employers and elderly people.

### Books Received.

EVERY MAN A KING; or, Might in Mind Mastery.

By Orison Sweet Marden. (Rider Bros., Ltd.)

The above book seems to us one on which much time and intelligence has been spent. The title is excellent, it conveys at once the very essence of the book.

The author commences by quoting a few lines from that splendid poet, Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

"We build our future, thought by thought

Or good or bad, and know it not—

Yet so the universe is wrought.

Thought is another name for fate,

Choose, then, thy destiny, and wait—

For love brings love, and hate brings hate."

He then treats in a most instructive and convincing way the undermentioned headings.

How mind rules the Body—Thought causes Health and Disease—Our worst enemy is Fear—Killing Emotions—Mastering our Moods—The Power of Cheerful Thinking—How Thinking brings Success—Building Character—Gain Beauty by holding the Beauty Thought—The Power of Imagination—Don't let Years Count—The Coming Man will realise His Divinity.

We recommend all our readers to secure a copy. The price is 3s. 10d. post free from this office.

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List of Books on Talismans, &c. Little Book of Magic and Talismans, post free, 2s. 3d. Raphael's Great Book of Talismanic Magic, 15s. Mystery of Alchemy, Amulets and Talismans, 10s. 6d. The Book of Black Magic, with numerous Talismans. £2 2s. 0d.

# Thought Communication.

By A. R. OSSITER.

**I**N 1899, a year never to be forgotten by Englishmen as the beginning of the Boer War, my story commences. There is no fiction here, but absolute truth, and therefore I refrain from mentioning names in order that pain may not be inflicted upon the people who figure in this narrative.

A certain Captain A. met a Miss R., and between them a great friendship sprang up, which turned to more than the ordinary courtship—by that I mean, it was not an every-day love match, but they seemed to be absolutely in unison, so much so that often when one thought of a subject the other would at once commence talking upon that subject. They would meet when no appointment had been made between them, but both of them felt that they would meet and set out with that intention. There were many other curious connections between these two, so different from the ordinary every-day courtship.

The day came when Captain A. was ordered to the front, and he sailed for South Africa engaged to Miss R. A period elapsed which we can pass over, although there were one or two curious occurrences.

A morning dawned in England which found Miss R. in a very agitated state of mind, and when she arrived at the breakfast table she told her mother a terrible dream she had had. She saw Captain A. with a smoking rifle in his hand and a ghastly white face, in fact the face of death, upon him. There was no sense of battle but all seemed quiet and peaceful. Her mother in the ordinary way would have laughed, but knowing how wonderfully these two were in touch with each other she was greatly disturbed. In a short time the news came that Captain A. was dead, shot accidentally far from the scene of battle. Now this was very remarkable, but more wonderful was a dream that Miss R. had the night following. She dreamed that she saw Captain A.

buried in a lonely spot, with nothing to mark his grave except one solitary half-starved tree. Now this also turned out to be absolutely true, and in after years the place was visited by Miss A. and her mother, and she said the scene was exactly as it appeared in her dream. Here then is a case of communication between two people with thousands of miles between them in life and communication after death under the same conditions. I say in life because I take it Captain A., although shot, sent out a thought to Miss R. in his death throes, which—borrowing a term from our clever contributor "Constantine"—became radiographised, a process which we can all understand, but here it appears that after death the communication was still intact. I will leave this point to a more competent person to unravel.

## Answers to Correspondents.

**RADIUM.**—You have our best thanks.

**E. WHITFIELD.**—Should not recommend you to wear the stone. We do not think it has any talismanic qualities. Your birth stone is the Agate.

**CANHAM.**—The subject about which you ask is one of interest only to students well advanced, and, therefore, we hesitate to give much space, but we will devote short articles in the next few issues to help you.

**G. F. WAGNER, OMAHA, NEB.**—You are recommended to have a full horoscope cast before experimenting on the lines you mention, or you may find that many difficulties will present themselves. We are not aware that the numbers you refer to are incorrect.

**C. A. PELLEY.**—We do not think it is wise for anyone to think of practising astrology until they have studied it for at least five years. There are too many half-educated astrologers (so-called), but they are doing immense harm to the science, as well as giving useless information to people. Unless you are acquainted with anatomy, physiology and medical science, it will be useless attempting to start as an astrologer. Your letter shows that you hardly understand some of the elementary principles of the science. Directing is a scientific subject which cannot be dealt with in a simple manner. Why not have some lessons on the science, the Editor will be pleased to assist you.

## Astrology and Astrologers--II.

By LOUIS. E. JACKSON, Norfolk, Va., U.S.A.

### Scientific Magazines Prostituted.

There is a feeling amongst writers on astrological topics, concerning the publication of correspondence written by those who have a reformatory or corrective streak in their make-up, that magazines devoted to the dissemination of astrological thought should not lend their columns to exposures of bogus professors and self-styled doctors. This conservative stand adopted by the timid is commendable for its forbearance; but, it may well be that the champions of that policy are selfishly, or thoughtlessly overlooking the uninitiated in their single aim to exclude all troublesome matter.

These scholarly adepts seem to have no great amount of tolerance for the beginner, forgetting that they, too, were once very eager in the search for enlightenment; they, therefore, have advised the editors of astrological magazines to discontinue the publication of exposures, on the ostensible ground that no good may be accomplished by such tirades, because every one is already cognisant of the patent fact that stereotype horoscopes are sold every day in open market.

It is the truth, more's the pity. Though, as a matter of off-hand reason, everybody is not as familiar with the fact as the venerable adepts are. And, it should appear, if the leaders in the field of astrological effort have the undivided good of the cause at heart they will leave no stone unturned to assist in cutting off the source of income from the unprincipled parasites who wax fat on the popular ignorance.

Men of more than average intelligence and enlightenment, while complacently admitting the shortcomings of astrological principles, basely prostitute their gift of mental superiority by catering to the superstitions of the misinformed, densely ignorant with every variety of printed rubbish, such as dream interpretations, magic talismans, black-magic, amulets, oraculums, cartomancy, tablets of fate, wheels of fortune, and other like subjects, which, however virtuous in themselves, have no legitimate place in Astrology, and only bring ignominy upon the science.

It is not the intention of this article to condemn all advertising astrologers. There are some who disdain the low, deceitful methods referred to in their efforts to secure patronage. The contention is, that the majority of them, while they in all probability do faithful work according to their light, use unethical means for attracting the customer. Further, it would be better for the science if all this traffic in horoscopes were abandoned entirely, as it is a truly onerous task to render faithful judgment in such matters as are dealt with in fortune telling when small fees are more the incentive than scientific unselfishness.

The advice is quite as vainly given as it is unsolicited; yet, trafficking astrologers had better make hay while the sun shines, for both they and

their abettors, the publishers of astrological and occult periodicals who further their schemes, are certainly running their bonanza down the easy road to obloquy by adhering to a business which their own sense of the proprieties must tell them is calculated to set the intelligent flat footed against every phase and form of the mercenary trade.

In the United States there are fewer journals devoted exclusively to astrology than in England. In the former country the fake horoscopist studiously avoids the few that do exist, using the penny press and certain magazines instead. The manifest reason for the paucity of both periodicals and astrologers, compared with their numerous contemporaries in the mother country, is, as before stated, the fact that there have been neither teachers of the doctrine nor able devotees thereto in America to have turned the popular mind into the channel of celestial law investigation. At least, what students and teachers there have been scattered near and far in this country (U.S.), were insufficient to cope with the opposition of astronomers, who unanimously scoff at the entire fabric of astrological theory.

Perhaps the many publication failures the last quarter century has known were due to a lack of rudimentary knowledge amongst every class of students, scientific and occult; as the date is not out of mind when, out of a score to whom one might put the question, "What is astrology?" scarcely a man was able to answer intelligently. That astrology has some connection with astronomy most people could hazily affirm; but define the connection they could not.

For over a generation there has not been a year in which some unpretentious periodical has not devoted all or part of its pages to an attempt at perfunctory exposition of new thought teachings, generally mixing and confusing everything that smacks of the hidden, mystical. The recent rise of new thought literature has given birth to quite a number of clever little journals; but, they invariably shoulder the burden of Atlas at their inception by foolishly appropriating titles which first, last and always breathe the spirit of Orientality. Strange! that their editors have not the discernment to foresee the storm of opposition these mystical titles will produce in the educated mind.

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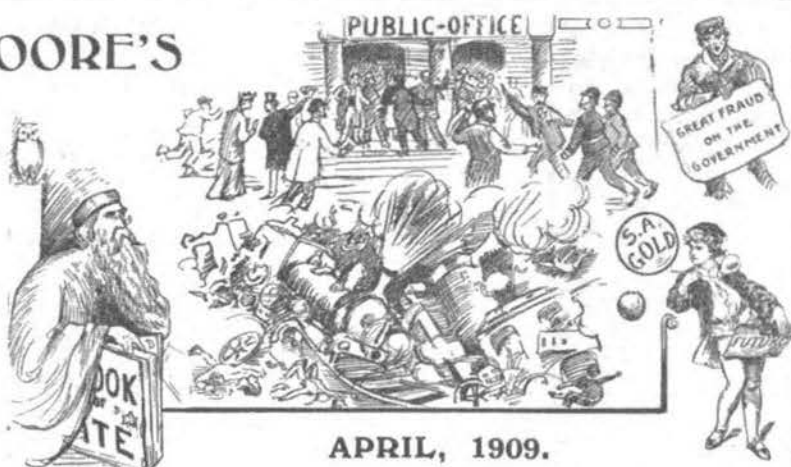
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APRIL, 1909.

## The New Moon.

The New Moon of the 21st March is a very important one, as it falls just after the vernal Equinox and is the Neomenia, or New Moon of the year. It will have rule for three months from the above date. This lunation falls on the cusp of the sixth house, not far from Saturn in the same house, an indication of much poverty and distress among the people, much sickness, especially influenza and cerebral troubles, also trouble in the navy. The position of Venus, ruler of the map, in the fifth house augurs well for theatres, and places of amusement, receipts being above the average, and the people much addicted to pleasure seeking. Mars ruling the second house conjoined with Uranus and opposed to Neptune, is ominous for the national exchequer, a heavy deficit being shown, increase of taxation of a suicidal and spoliative nature, probably affecting the land, being shown, while expenditure will run high. Accidents on railways are denoted, danger of strikes among employees thereon, and in the postal service, while explosions in mines are to be feared and seismic disturbances. The weather promises to be cold and inclement, with much downfall. Mercury in the fifth opposing Jupiter in the eleventh is unfavourable for the younger generation, and will

adversely affect the educational question. Mars ruling the seventh house is bad for foreign affairs, and the danger of war and international disputes is still strong. An eminent artiste or actress will succumb to fate. Diplomatic blunders with the Colonies will occur, and much unpleasantness will result through the action of the Commons in dealings with the Colonies. South African affairs will cause much trouble, while Indian matters will assume an exceedingly critical condition. The Government will not be particularly strong, and will have much trouble to face. A retrograde Jupiter in Virgo in the eleventh house shows legislation affecting the working classes, Poor Law, and educational matters, but as Mercury opposes this planet, the religious dispute will still occasion trouble, and little progress will be made with legislation. A birth in Royal circles is denoted.

## United States.

At New York, Leo rises, Jupiter being close to the cusp of the second house in opposition to Mercury, indicating forgery and fraud in the exchequer. Railway affairs will be prosperous, but much illness will be shown among the people generally. The conjunction of Mars and Uranus in the sixth house is evil for the Navy, and explosions

on men-of-war are indicated. Epidemic sickness will be prevalent in the eastern states. Disasters to shipping are shown, stormy weather being prevalent. At San Francisco, Neptune rises with Mars and Uranus setting, denoting much trouble in the city, disputes and strikes. Disgrace to men of note in the city is shown, success in railway matters, but danger of fires and explosions, and troubles through foreign nations.

### India.

At Calcutta, Mars and Uranus will be rising, pointing to rioting and revolutionary outbreaks. A native rising should be guarded against. The Viceroy and officials of note are in danger of personal violence, and should safeguard their persons. A railway accident is threatened. A critical period is ahead for our Indian Empire. Let our statesmen be forewarned.

### Europe.

At Petersburg, Jupiter culminates, but Mercury in the fourth shows much opposition by the people to any reforms which may be inaugurated for their benefit. A serious railway accident or outrage is threatened. At Berlin, Scorpio rises with Saturn on the cusp of the sixth, pointing to much illness in the country. Naval disputes are to be feared, also accidents on railways.

### Special Forecasts.

Serious earthquakes are threatened in Long. 59 and 69 E., as the luminaries and Saturn are on the lower meridian at those spots. Storms and seismic troubles are threatened in 111 W. Long. Uranus is on the nadir in 9 W. and Mars in 13 W., denoting violent storms, seismic troubles or volcanic disturbances in those parts. Violent storms and fires are threatened in South Island, New Zealand. Tornadoes and tidal waves threatened in the Pacific.

### General Forecasts.

Paris, Turkey and all countries and places under Virgo will benefit from the position of Jupiter in that sign. England,

Germany and places under Aries still suffer from Saturn in that sign, and much trouble and poverty will result in those countries.

### The Stock Exchange.

**BRAZILIAN BONDS AND COFFEE.**—Coffee is likely to be more largely consumed in the British Empire owing to the large amount of Brazilian Government advertising, apart from the wholesomeness of "Fazenda" coffee as a beverage, therefore all Brazilian Government Bonds should be bought for investment with the certainty of a good rise.

**BREWERY SHARES** should still be bought now they are cheap.

## Almanack Predictions

FOR APRIL, 1909.

### Raphael.

Much sickness, want and privation. Naval and military affairs prominent. Revenue deficient, and expenditure heavy. Trouble in railways and post office, and terrible accidents in travelling. Young people, theatres and music halls benefit, birth-rate increases. Foreign affairs cause uneasiness, and the danger of disputes with other Powers and of war very great. Diplomatic blunders with Colonies. Sickness among Royalty and great people. Debates on religious education and the Poor Law in Parliament.

### Zadkiel.

Disturbances in Russia and Prussia. Evil for Germany, Russia and Turkey. Trouble and violent agitation in India. Political excitement in England. Increase in British trade. Fires in the North of Europe and London. Benefits to Ireland.

### Orion.

Epidemic sickness, influenza and rheumatism rife. Deaths from heart disease and cancer. Accidents and explosions in mines. Accidents on battleships. Explosions and collisions on railways. Fluctuation in stocks and shares. Irritation in Parliamentary

circles, unrest in labour market. Earthquakes, railway accidents, explosions and fires in India and abroad. Much trouble in Indian affairs.

### Old Moore.

Lunation is bad for Nations' and Rulers' health. Discontent in the Navy. Railway matters prominent; strike in mechanical department. Accidents in transport. Religious warfare. Tidal wave in the Pacific. Unsettled money market.

### Francis Moore.

Lunation not good for health of nation, influenza and cerebral troubles shown. Discontent in the Navy. Heavy expenditure for Army and Navy. Postal and railway matters prominent, and a strike of employees imminent. Accidents in travelling. Blunders in education and religious matters. Theatres and music halls benefit, birthrate increases. Foreign affairs unsatisfactory, disputes and warlike tendency. Misunderstanding with the Colonies. Troubles in Eastern Africa, also seismic disturbances. Severe earthquake in 69 E. Long. Tidal wave in Pacific.

## Astronomical Phenomena

FOR APRIL, 1909.

### The Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	5th	...	8h. 28m. aft.
Last Quarter,	13th	...	2h. 30m. aft.
New Moon,	20th	...	4h. 51m. morn.
First Quarter,	27th	...	8h. 36m. morn.

### Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Aries all the month; enters Taurus on 20th at 5.58 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star in Pisces at beginning of month, enters Aries on 6th, in conjunction with Saturn on 13th at 6.13 p.m. at a distance of 32', conjunction Venus on 19th at

10.52 a.m., distant 18', enters Taurus on 21st, and is in conjunction with Sun on 21st; sets 1 hour after Sun on 30th.

- ♀. VENUS is in Aries close to the Sun on 1st, in conjunction with Saturn on 9th, 8.19 p.m., 49' distant, enters Taurus on 22nd, and is conjunction with Sun on 28th.
- ♂. MARS is in Capricorn, a morning star, enters Aquarius on 9th.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Virgo all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is in Aries all the month, too close to the Sun to be observed, in conjunction with that luminary on 3rd.
- ♅. URANUS is in Capricorn all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer all the month.
- ☾. The following table shows the Moon's position in the signs on each day of the month at noon.

Aries	18, 19	Libra	5, 6
Taurus	20, 21	Scorpio	7, 8, 9
Gemini	22, 23	Sagittarius	10, 11
Cancer	24, 25, 26	Capricorn	12, 13
Leo	1, 27, 28	Aquarius	14, 15
Virgo	{ 2, 3, 4, 29, 30	Pisces	16, 17

### The Weather.

The month opens with unsettled weather, cold and snowy to 4th, warmer 10th, dull 13th, cold snap about 13th. Temperature warmer to 19th; stormy 21st; warm spring weather to end.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land; some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

## Horoscopes for South Latitude.

By E. H. BAILEY.

HERE is probably no part of the mathematics of astrology which has occasioned more heartburnings to the student mind, or more puzzling and unsatisfactory results, than the attempt to erect horoscopes for south latitude; and, indeed, it is no wonder. The student is not to blame in any way, for no book I have ever come across, or teacher of the science I have conversed with, has ever been able to give any practical explanation or explicit rules for this subject.

We hear of several methods of dealing with this subject, all of which are misleading and puzzling, and many of which are decidedly wrong. The method of making the ascendant on the right hand side is not only incorrect, but it is opposed to nature; and nothing which is opposed to nature can be correct in astrology. Another equally erroneous method is putting the map up in the same way as for north latitude, and then turning it upside down. The idea of adding twelve hours and reversing the signs is the more correct way, but even this is puzzling to students, and the cry keeps on coming to us, "Can you give us some simple method of calculation without all this reversal of signs."

I have been asked to write an article on this subject, and have gone into the matter very thoroughly, both mathematically and by reference to measurements, and have arrived at a simple method which will meet with the student's approval.

It will be necessary, however, before stating it, to make some explanations as to the table of houses and also to make certain corrections to do away with the misunderstanding which has arisen not only in the minds of students, but in those of the leading writers on the science.

First of all it must be stated that the tables of houses at present in use, are only applicable to places lying between 66.33 north and 66.33 south latitude. This statement will, of course, require explanation.

The explanation is this. The meridian of a horoscope is an imaginary line drawn from north to south exactly over head, and again drawn from north to south exactly beneath the earth. As the first point of Capricorn has 23.27 south latitude, it follows that at a higher latitude than 66.33 north, this degree is never seen, and consequently neither rises nor sets. Suppose a figure is required for noon, 22nd December, 1909, at a spot 70 north latitude in the meridian of Greenwich. The sidereal time is 18 hours, 1 minute, 36 seconds, which corresponds to the first degree of Capricorn, but this point will be actually  $3\frac{1}{2}$  degrees below the southern horizon, and therefore not on the meridian, while Cancer 0°, will be  $3\frac{1}{2}$  degrees above the northern horizon *and actually on the meridian*. Therefore how can Cancer 0°, which is always above the horizon and Capricorn 0°, which is never above the horizon, rise or set? Neither points can ever be on the ascendant or descendant. It therefore is clear that the present tables of houses are not applicable to places outside latitude 66.33 north or south. Any one who has a celestial globe with the ecliptic and equator marked thereon will be able to verify this statement.

The next point is a correction of the statement that in south latitude the ascendant is on the right hand. No more absurd or erroneous statement can be imagined. Of course, I am aware that the usual argument in support of this is that an observer standing facing the south in north latitude will have the Sun rise on his left and pass across the heavens in front of him, while if in the south latitude it will pass behind him. But a moment's reflection will show that this is not always the case. An observer in latitude 10 north, facing south when the Sun is in Cancer 1, will find that the Sun's rays at noon will fall obliquely *behind* him, at an angle of 13 from the overhead point. Also, that if he were standing at a point 10 south facing

north having the ascendant on his right hand, the Sun's rays at noon, on December 21st, would fall obliquely *behind* him at the same angle from the overhead point. The entire question is one which depends wholly on the standpoint of the observer.

The matter, however, is clearly solved in this way. The meridian is always the south point of the map (the tenth house is called the south angle) and the observer should always face the south; then the heavens will appear as they are depicted in the map with the ascendant on the left hand. It matters not whether it be north or south latitude, the

meridian is the south point of the map, and east is east all the world over.

The idea of making the ascendant on the right hand causes endless confusion, as it means numbering the houses the reverse way and even then it is doubtful what is the actual ascendant.

The method adopted by Raphael, an example of which is given in the Ephemeris for 1909, is the correct one, and with the exception of the reversal of the signs, is the one students should follow. In the next issue I will explain how to adopt this method without having to make a confusing reversal.

## Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

APRIL, 1909.

1	23 ♄ 39	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties.
2	5 ♃ 31	A good day for business and social matters, but not for important undertakings.
3	17 ♄ 23	A doubtful day. Safeguard health and run no risks.
4	29 ♄ 15	Sunday. Rest from labours. Act discreetly.
5	11 ♄ 11	An unfavourable day for all purposes, except correspondence.
6	23 ♄ 12	An evil day; avoid accidents and keep quiet.
7	5 ♃ 17	Attend to social and business matters, but avoid females.
8	17 ♄ 30	Travel, change and deal with antiquarians.
9	29 ♄ 52	An evil day. Use energy in ordinary duties.
10	12 ♄ 24	Contradictory influences prevail; be careful in money matters, deal with elderly people in afternoon and enjoy recreation in evening.
11	25 ♄ 11	Sunday. Avoid changes and act discreetly.
12	8 ♃ 14	An evil day. Safeguard health and keep a check on the thoughts and speech.
13	21 ♄ 36	A very evil day. Do nothing except ordinary duties.
14	5 ♄ 22	Another evil day. Avoid accidents.
15	19 ♄ 30	A good day for business, correspondence, dealing with superiors and other sex, and for pleasure and enjoyment in the evening.
16	4 ♃ 1	An untoward day. Act carefully and avoid disputes.
17	18 ♄ 51	A good day for business, dealing with superiors, opposite sex, travel, changes and correspondence.
18	3 ♄ 52	Sunday. Safeguard health, make new plans.
19	18 ♄ 57	An evil day. Do nothing important.
20	3 ♄ 55	A good day for travel, changes, correspondence, literary work, dealings with others, but disputes and accidents should be avoided.
21	18 ♄ 37	Travel, change, and attend to business.
22	2 ♄ 56	Not a favourable day for new affairs.
23	16 ♄ 49	Deal with elderly people, but avoid superiors and females.
24	0 ♄ 15	The afternoon and evening are good for social and business matters, dealing with superiors and enjoyment.
25	13 ♄ 14	Sunday. Safeguard health and keep quiet.
26	25 ♄ 51	An evil day. Avoid changes and disputes.
27	8 ♄ 10	An exceedingly evil day. Be guarded in all things.
28	20 ♄ 16	Contradictory influences prevail. Do nothing important. The evening is good for pleasure.
29	2 ♄ 13	The afternoon and evening are good for social matters, dealing with superiors and for pleasure and recreation.
30	14 ♄ 5	A good day for marriage, social matters, dealing with superiors and enjoyment.

## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### V.—THE RED PLANET, MARS,

**O**UR journey through space on our celestial vehicle is now nearing a close, though we have several more stopping places to examine. We have passed from Neptune to Uranus, then on to Saturn and Jupiter, and through that long belt of space tenanted by the Asteroids, and we are now, to use a nautical phrase, in comparatively home waters. The planet Mars is our next stopping place, and though one of the smallest of the planets is none the less interesting, nor are the historical facts connected with it less instructive than its more distant and larger neighbours.

The planet Mars, 4,200 miles in diameter, revolves round the Sun at a mean distance of 141 millions of miles, in a period equal to 687 of our days. Its position as regards our own Earth is very much different, for at times it is within 40 millions of miles, at other times as much as 250 millions of miles distant.

The topography of this planet is more well known than of any other body except the Moon, and the various peculiar markings on the surface have given rise to numerous conjectures and theories. To the unaided eye Mars appears like a star of the first magnitude, and can be easily distinguished by its ruddy glow. Still, the colour of the planet as a whole is not red. When examined through a telescope, yellow, green and grey are particularly prominent, especially brilliant green.

Mars viewed through a telescope presents vague and hazy outlines, small white caps at the north and south poles, dark patches here and light patches there. These white caps are puzzling, but the dark patches are generally supposed to be land and water. The most curious part of the markings is the curious straight lines or bands, which were called "Canals," sometimes crossing the white polar caps and sometimes upon the different patches. In addition to this the spots and streaks have been known to

alter in shape and size. One Canal, which was called the large rosy ribbon, afterwards appeared to be two, lying side by side. Names have been given to these shady patches, and one prominent mark was first known as the "Oculus" or "Eye" of the planet, but a later name given to it was "Lacus Solis" or "Lake of the Sun." With a small telescope this is merely a small dot in the centre of a bright part, but in reality it is nearly twelve hundred miles across.

In addition to these curious markings, astronomers are pretty sure of another important fact, and that is, the existence of an atmosphere. But when we come to speak about *Life*, then we are quite in the dark. He who formed the planets and made life on this earth, could make life on other planets, and after all, what is Mars but an orb like our own earth, and therefore why should there not be life fitted to breathe the atmosphere of that planet?

But here another important fact comes in. The smaller the world, the faster it ripens for use, and therefore the faster it cools. It has been reckoned that Mars cools more than twice as fast as our earth, and therefore, supposing that if both planets started on the process together, say eighteen million years ago, then Mars would have reached the state corresponding to what our earth at present is about eleven million years ago, and therefore what condition must it be in after the remaining seven millions of years?

All this complicates the problem of life on this planet. Mars is attended by two small Moons, one at a distance of 4,000 miles and the other at 14,500. The inner one revolves round in 7h. 39m., and the outer in 30h. 18m. Both of these are only visible in very large telescopes.

Those of my readers who possess telescopes will have a splendid opportunity of viewing Mars at its opposition in August of this year.

# To the One much—to the Many little.

By A. R. OSSITER.

**I**T has often puzzled me why one man should have warning of disaster and another not, or rather (dealing with the subject of my story) that the tick of the death watch or the falling of a picture should mean nothing to one man, and to another misfortune. Of course, premonitory sensibility may be dismissed by the overwise as rubbish, a theme fit only for ignorant people to believe in; but, at the same time, to some men it spells trouble, and I find that many of those who laugh and ridicule, are the very people who believe in, or rather have fears of, these superstitious things happening.

I myself have had one or two incidents in my life which would bear being published, but I could not give an answer to the many who would say rubbish, mere coincidence, and therefore I prefer to take a case where I think the greatest unbeliever will refrain from using his favourite word.

A certain friend of mine with his family went to live at T——, when they had been there about three weeks, they heard the tick, tick, tick, of a death watch. Little notice was taken of this by the husband, but the wife did not like it at all, so he tried all he could to locate the little animal to frighten it away. All to no purpose, he had come to stay. At this time my friend's wife's brother, who was living with them, was taken ill, and the ticking gradually became louder, so that at last the wife said she could not stand it any longer. They decided to move, which they did, and went to a place called A——. No sooner had they sat down to tea in their new home than to their astonishment, tick, tick, tick, was heard, but very much louder. Now the brother soon became worse and in a few weeks died, and on the day of his death the ticking stopped and did not return. Now, as many people do, they moved into another house, the wife not feeling easy in the place where her brother died; here in their new home they lived in peace for six months,

when one day the dreaded tick, tick, tick, sounded like a death knell on his wife's ear, and even he himself felt upset by it, so he decided that he would take them all to the seaside for a holiday to try and forget all about it. So they started for M—— and had a very nice holiday until the day before they were to start for home, when their eldest boy was taken ill, but only a child's ailment. At dinner that day a large picture fell down from the wall and smashed, but on examining the wire and nail, no reason could be given for it falling. In due course they arrived home only to be met with the sound of tick, tick, tick; of course, this upset his wife to a great extent, with her boy still ill, and she gave way to despair, and even her husband caught the same feeling of approaching disaster coming upon them. The boy grew worse and with it the ticking became louder, until the poor little fellow died, and as before the death watch was heard no more, although it is now a year ago. Can anyone explain the why or wherefore? I should mention these are the only two deaths he has had in his family. This same friend of mine is a great dreamer, whenever anything of importance is going to happen he has a dream or rather a series of dreams, not dreams in the ordinary sense, but a kind of rehearsal from beginning to end with a full rehearsal as the event approaches. The dream commences sometimes two months before anything happens, but he knows when the time has come, because in the last dream he sees the whole event laid bare before him.

I will only take two events of his life.

*First.*—He was employed by a certain firm in a confidential position and had been there several years, when one night he had a disturbing dream, which continued night after night, always becoming more exciting each night; they were all noisy fighting dreams, but towards the third week lions were fighting snakes; and then shortly after



# An Astrological Guide to Health, Success and Happiness

## CHAPTER V. (Continued).

### SUCCESS.

Before giving an illustration of success from the example horoscope on page 67, it is necessary to make a few observations with respect to the influences of the planets in the three houses comprising the Temporal Trigon.

The influences given are those of the planets when in the houses themselves, but it is also necessary to take into consideration the planets ruling the houses, and more especially so when there are no planets therein. The position of the planet by sign, house and aspect must be considered when there are no planets in either of the houses, and in any case to a minor degree.

The nature of the sign on the cusp of the houses must also be considered when there are no planets therein; thus, Gemini for relatives, brethren, short journeys, etc.; Cancer for public affairs, commodities, matters connected with water and liquids.

For example, suppose Gemini is on the cusp of the second house, with Mercury ruler in Cancer, in the third house. Gemini on the cusp shows money gain through matters to do with the sign, relatives, short journeys, intellect, etc. Mercury in Cancer shows gain in public affairs, occupations to do with water or liquids, and through third house matters. The ruler of the tenth in the ninth shows a profession to do with ninth house affairs, and gives honour and reputation therein.

With these few additional remarks on the subject we will now proceed to an example of Success from our horoscope.

## CHAPTER VI.

### AN EXAMPLE FOR JUDGING SUCCESS.

In order to save space I have not reproduced the map, but my readers are requested to turn to page 67, January, 1909, issue of

THE MESSENGER in order to follow these deductions.

*Tenth house.*—There are no planets therein. The sign Sagittarius is on the cusp of the tenth house, showing a profession connected with the sign, and being the ninth sign, in matters to do with the ninth house. Jupiter, the ruler, is in the ninth house, denoting a profession connected with science, religion, higher thought, metaphysics and astrology. Jupiter being elevated above all the planets in conjunction and parallel with both the Sun and Mercury, in his own sign and unafflicted, shows a world-wide reputation, and honour and success far above the sphere of birth. Jupiter rules the ascendant as well, showing that the native will work his own way in the world, and be the maker of his own name and reputation.

*Second house.*—Here we have the Moon and Neptune, the former in sextile to Saturn, but in opposition to Mars and Venus on the cusp of the eighth; the latter exalted in Taurus and practically free from affliction. The former position shows gain through mystical and occult affairs, but brings losses through fraud and swindling, and from the opposition of the two planets, losses by treachery, trickery, and underhand attacks. It also shows the finances to be in a chaotic state, and were it not for the strong position of the Moon, the native would be in a poor position financially. As it is the native earns more than a fair competency, and at the present time is making good progress financially, but has continual troubles through the evil influence of Neptune. The Moon ruling the fifth house shows the probability of exceptional gains through speculation.

*Sixth house.*—Uranus is herein, in trine to the degree on the meridian. This is a contradictory influence, for health often interferes with work, the nervous system being weak; but as long so the native is allowed perfect freedom in work he will get along comfortably and successfully. It is only when

restrictions such as regular working hours and conformity to other people's methods are used that trouble and non-success are shown. The occupation is one connected with Uranus, astrological in fact, and this is also shown by the Sun, ruler of the sixth, being placed in the ninth house, dispossessing Uranus.

One point in connection with this particular horoscope is that the native follows two pursuits at the same time, this being shown by the planets in dual signs in the ninth. He works for others, and at the same time has his own occupation and keeps his own assistants.

The horoscope indicates considerable success, and this is shown by the elevated position of Jupiter, ruler of the ascendant and midheaven, in his own dignity, Sagittarius, and free from affliction. The chief drawbacks to success are financial losses through fraud and treachery and at times through the health.

In our next issue we will take up the subject of where to live for success, how to choose a house, and similar matters.

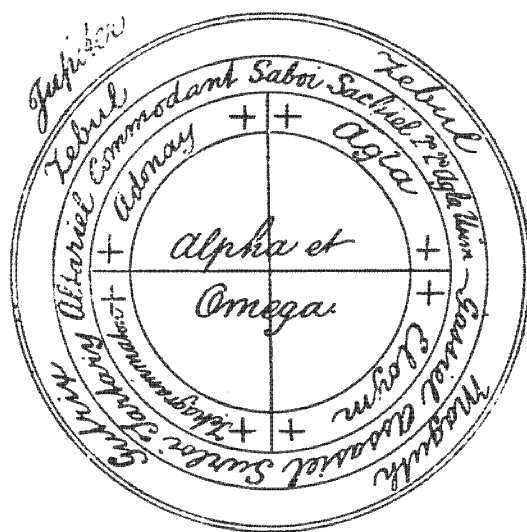
### ARE BIRTHDAY INFLUENCES RELIABLE?

ON MORE than one occasion we have had letters from correspondents commenting on our birthday forecasts and questioning their reliability, but the following extract from a letter received by the Editor will show that there is much more truth in them than many people imagine.

"I was rather sceptical about astrology till lately, when I came across OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER and I happened to look at the birthday influences for September, and I found on the 24th of that month (my birthday) that it was an evil anniversary, accident, ill health, bereavement, many troubles and trials. In a week or two after that I lost my mother and I have not been in good health, then I began to think there must be some truth in astrology after all."

Our readers should note these forecasts, and should also calculate what is known as the "Progressed Birthday." This is found by adding the age to the date of birth, and taking the day of the month corresponding to the total. Thus, one born on April 1st, 1882, would be 27 this year. 27 added to April 1st, gives April 28th, which is the progressed birthday. When the total is more than the number of days in the month, deduct the number of days in such month and the result will be the day in the following month on which the progressed birthday falls.

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## Reminiscences of a Spirit Healer.\*

By W. H. EDWARDS.

**M**ANY people marvel greatly at there being such a reality as one who can have the spiritual gift of healing. Even those who call themselves professing Christians and devoutly believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, seem to disregard the great prophecy that in the ages to come the spirit gifts should come upon the people. As a matter of fact these spiritual persons are specially singled out, and through them is demonstrated that an unseen potent force is working which transcends all mortality can produce by the aid of Modern Science.

There is great need for such marvels of spirit force acting through individuals, for by those means is religion kept in the world and evil eventually overcome.

The scientific marvels of to-day are but the withdrawal of the curtain of spirit force. All the great inventions are spirit revelations. The bioscope, the gramophone, telephone, Marconigrams, and now aerial navigation, are the rewards of civilisation and peace.

Such great teachers as Dante, Swedenborg, Shakespeare, Charles Dickens, together with the poets and musicians, are the great teachers of religion. To them is revealed the larger truth that the Deity has in all ages and countries ever sent specially endowed spiritual persons as the true revealers of God's beneficence to the peoples of the earth. These are the deductions I have come to in contemplating my own work as a Spirit Healer, in conjunction with Clair-audience and Clairvoyance.

My first experience of anything unusual was the extraordinary faculty my wife possessed of knowing what I did when miles away; and also when any grave events were about to take place in the family such as illness or death.

The first real Spirit manifestation began with a knife I found; a large one-bladed, white-handled knife which I brought home to use as a pruning knife and kept in my

jacket pocket. At this time my wife was desponding over the loss of a beautiful boy of 11 months who could intelligently talk and who was the pride of her soul. One evening she had put her three children to bed and while sitting at the foot of a bed saw a spirit stand before her clad in white shirt, flannel undervest, and black trousers with braces hanging, with his throat cut, the same white-handled knife being in his hand, and blood pouring from the wound. As she gazed spell-bound at the terrible apparition, she began to feel a weird fascination about the knife he held, and distinctly felt the spirit was willing her to go into her bedroom where my jacket was hanging with the knife in the pocket, and get the knife to cut her own throat with. She informed me so strong was the will upon her that she felt she must do it. From her anguished lips burst "God help me," and lo, as in answer to her prayer, her baby in Spirit stood in mid-air before her, and the dreaded apparition vanished. Bursting through the fascination she sprang up, darting to her child, but the child receded back until it appeared likely to vanish through the wall. Then she stopped and the baby came back to the centre of the room, while she resumed her seat on the bed and conversed for two hours with her Spirit child.

All this she told me as I have written down with complete belief. As I had had no experience of Spiritual manifestations I put the whole thing down to hallucination, due to nervous shock from loss of the little one, and impressed upon her the necessity of not letting the children know anything of the matter so they might not be alarmed, to which, of course, she consented. Four days later my eldest daughter Mabel flatly refused to go to bed, and I arrived home from business to find her in tears and her mother trying to pacify her. My enquiries elicited the following statement from her.

"What is the matter, Mabel?"

"Oh, dad, I can't go to bed, I have seen a man in our room with his throat cut. I have seen it now three nights." (Sobs).

Without replying I turned to her mother.

"Have you said anything to the child?"

She shook her head and said, "Nonsense, Mabel, you have only been dreaming."

An idea came to me to test the description.

"What sort of a man and how was he dressed. Did he have a beard, overcoat, or what?" I said.

"He had only a moustache like yours, no coat nor waistcoat, but black trousers. His shirt was open and all blood running from his neck, and he had a white-handled knife in his hand like the one you've got."

Thus did Mabel accurately verify her mother's version of the apparition. We put Mabel up in our room for that night to her great relief. I at once decided that the knife I had found had probably been used to take the life of the owner, and that the spirit was following the knife. I made this statement to my wife, who assented to this being the solution of the mystery. "Very well," I said, "that being the case that knife goes into the canal and that spirit can go there after his knife if he is going to frighten all my family to death." When I left home next day on the road to business I had the knife in my pocket to throw into the canal as I passed over St. George's Bridge, Camberwell, but just before I got there I remembered a friend of mine who was a great believer in spiritualism whom I should meet that morning. Accordingly I altered my mind, and having met him stated the particulars of the case and handed him the knife. He immediately dropped the knife saying it sent an electric shock through his arm.

Finally he resolved to have the knife with him at a séance with Mrs. Bliss, a well-known medium, and her husband and several other sitters. Mrs. Bliss quickly went into trance, when she was controlled by the spirit who had followed the knife. He stated that having lost wife and three children he cut his throat in despair and was forced to follow the knife. His explanation was that could he have induced

another to have cut his or her throat as he had done, he would have been released from having to follow the knife. Prayers were offered up and the Spirit expressed himself as greatly comforted and penitent. The husband of the medium took possession of the knife, and, as he himself informed me, threw the knife into his furnace, thus rendering it incapable of further mischief. Soon after things began to go bad with Mr. Bliss. His wife under great difficulty was rescued from Kingston harbour, into which she fell from a rowing boat, and Mr. Bliss soon afterwards committed suicide by hanging himself.

My own wife who has also passed through the great portals bids me write this story and the Spirit theory. This Spirit fastened himself on to the two who destroyed the knife and so prevented him releasing himself by passing on the consequences of his own crime. In his despair he attached himself to the persons instrumental in causing this state of things, nearly drowning the one and ultimately causing the death by suicide of the other. Thousands of insane and violent acts, and many cases of disease amongst respectable persons may safely be put down to this cause. Hence the necessity of the Spirit Healer, to whom alone on earth is given the power to exorcise evil spirits. Our asylums are simply filled with persons who are under spirit control or obsessions. The enlightenment of the age demands the recognition and full appreciation of the gifted spirit medium. Spirits claim they are in every way superior to mortals, and are entitled, if they can find one, to relieve themselves by passing on their woe to another until it can be destroyed. A better way and the higher reward is by preventing another committing the same kind of actions with their evil consequences. Swedenborg states that "the Angels assert, such Spirits are not in their right minds, as the consequences are so dreadful that did they but know them they would never dare to commit such evil deeds."

\* Further particulars of this extraordinary occurrence, together with the address of the writer, will be gladly furnished to any reader by the Editor.

# Horoscopes of Notable Men.

The Right Hon. JOHN BURNS, M.P.

THE horoscope we append for our readers' study this month is that of the Rt. Hon. John Burns, M.P. President of the Local Government Board, who was born in London at 5.35 a.m. on November 13th, 1858, when the planets were placed as in the figure below. The sign Scorpio rises with the Sun and Mercury therein, in sextile to Mars, denoting a strong persistent and determined man, one who cares little for the attitude of opponents, and who will win his way in life by sheer force of character than by tact or diplomacy. There is a good deal of dignity and reserve, shrewdness and firmness, while the perceptions are keen, and there is considerable depth

of thought and much penetration. The luminaries and Mercury all in fixed signs show patience, self-reliance and independence, a tendency to disregard the opinions of others, and to cut a way in life by force and incisiveness. Dogmatism and obstinacy are the weak points, but even these have their use in the position he occupies, and against the personal attacks to which he is continually subjected.

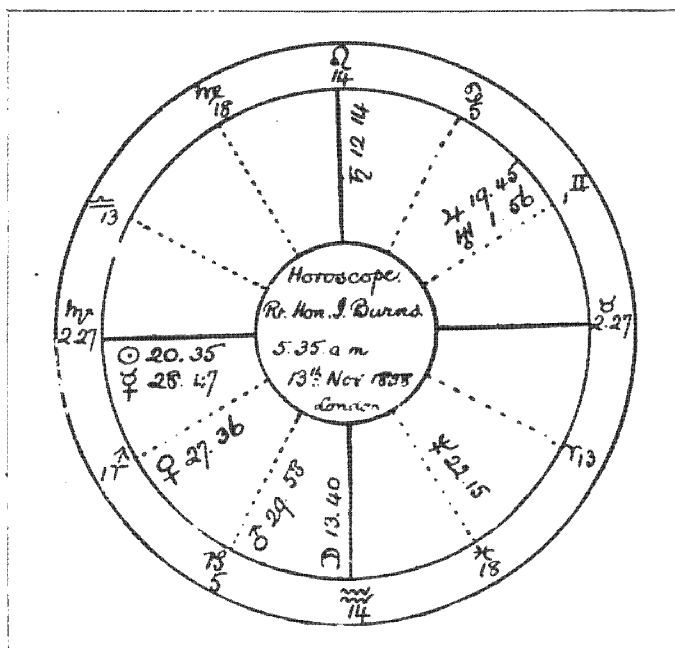
The mental powers are keen, Mercury being in Scorpio, ruled over by Mars, and that planet exalted and in the third house.

What say the text books on this point. "Bold, generous, brave, magnanimous, rash, confident, contemptuous, angry, imperious, versatile, stern and able in government." Mars connected with Mercury and placed in glory, makes him "witty, crafty, ready to invent mischief, ingenious, quick, active, eloquent, fond of strife, good enough to

those like himself but mischievous to his enemies." These are characteristics which no one who has followed the career of our subject can deny as true to the letter. Saturn on the meridian opposing the Moon with the Sun passing from the squares of both, is not good for position or honour. It will bring elevation to a high position,

but once the summit is reached the downfall will be quick and heavy.

The influences at the present time are doubtfully good, and yet not sufficiently so to show much evil. The Sun is close to the semi-square of Mercury, and Saturn to the parallel of the Moon, but this latter aspect does not seem to act very forcible until four years from now when the Moon enters Aquarius and, comes to the evil aspects of the Sun and Saturn. By converse direction Venus reaches the square of the Moon in two years time, but the Sun is



in close trine to Mars, hence the outlook is not such a bad one, and certainly does not fall in line with the directions of some of the members of the present Ministry. We should be inclined to judge that the removal of our subject to some important post, independent of a dissolution of Parliament is

shown, but we must not forget the evil transits of Mars during the summer of this year in opposition to the progressed mid-heaven of the horoscope, nor those of Saturn and Jupiter opposing one another on the radical ascendant and descendant. Our subject has some 16 years of active life before him.

## Astrology and Astrologers--III.

By LOUIS. E. JACKSON, Norfolk, Va., U.S.A.

### Scarcity of Astrological Works by Americans.

As far as the United States is concerned, the extent of astrological authorship is summed up in a few words. Hiram Butler has given us "Solar Biology," a summary of the science in twelve character sketches, based upon the twelve astronomical divisions of the earth's orbital journey around the sun; but, being considered heliocentrically, this division of the twelve great types of humanity after the secret Hindoo system of astronomy only lends additional disquietude to the vexing question of authoritative method. The preponderance of opinion in the English speaking world inclines to the geocentric system in both astronomy and astrology in considering mundane relations; for, the heliocentric is wholly a hypothetical proposition. "Solar Biology" includes an attempt to mollify antagonists by calling in the aid of hereditary doctrine.

Another scholar, Holmes W. Merton, using the mystical nom-de-plume of "Yarmo Vedra," in "Heliocentric Astrology," gives us the most erudite and masterful treatise extant dealing purely with the subject of character delineation. The unerring sketches of human qualities, as determined by the zodiacal position of all the members of the solar system, which this work presents are truly remarkable for their consistency and completeness. The name of the book, "Heliocentric Astrology," is a misnomer, as the geocentric system forms the basis of all the character descriptions given. However, like M. M. McGregor's work, "Astrology," this work contains an abstract of the ephemeris for eighty years computed heliocentrically. Hence its title. But it is deplorable that such an incongruity is presented to the earnest beginner as well as to the unbelieving critic; for it is a moral certainty that both classes will be mystified and discouraged at the results of an attempted verification of their own horoscopes based upon heliocentric data and geocentric interpretation. And still the partisans of the heliocentric system cannot realise that they have succeeded admirably in so confusing investigators as to excite the pity and contempt of unbiased scholars who may happen to refer to both systems.

J. G. Dalton, ex-employee of the government Naval Observatory in the "70's," lately deceased, rendered more genuine aid to the study of planetary influence than any other one American in his mathematical work, "The Spherical Basis of Astrology;"

it contains no interest for the amateur because of its advanced nature, though the "Tables of Houses for latitudes 22 to 56 degrees" are indispensable to the practitioner.

Prof. W. H. Chaney, a long-lived zealot of the theme, wrote two books which are tolerably well known: "The Primer of Astrology," and "The Astrologer's Vade Mecum," both of which are crudely edited, elementary treatises, vain repetitions of a score of similar text books, and poor ones into the bargain; self disparaged because replete with manifestations of a ferocious spirit of recrimination, born of a life-long enmity with English contemporaries who abused him.

"Practical Astrology," by Count C. St. Germain, is anything but what the title conveys; unique in its method, if nothing else. This is but another example of the designing use of the occult and mystical; an adaptation of the Rosicrucian theory of Sound and Number, supplemented by the Egyptian symbolical Arcanes—the veriest stuff and rubbish, sure to awaken scorn and pathos in scientific circles.

"Astrology," by M. M. McGregor, gives the character readings of the twelve principal types according to the geocentric system, and forthwith proceeds to present a tabulated digest of the astronomical ephemerides of the past seventy years according to the heliocentric system! What a mixture the student delves into when he undertakes to read his grandfather's character by an injudicious combination of geocentric rules and heliocentric data!

"Under a Lucky Star," by Charlotte Abel Walker; "Our Fate and The Zodiac," by Margaret Mayo; and "The Influence of The Zodiac Upon Human Life," by Eleanor Kirk, are three of a kind, all sensible little treatises of character readings based upon the Zodiacal Sign occupied by the Sun at the birth of the subject, and they speak well for the literary industry of American women. These last-mentioned works have done, and are doing, great good for the science, for they carry conviction unflinchingly and lead to further investigation of the claims of astrology.

"Were You Born Under a Lucky Star," by A. Alpheus (who might have shown his own courage of conviction had he appended his proper name instead of resorting to the refuge of a pen name) has been extensively read both in America and abroad. The body of the work is composed of extracts from the

Tetrabiblos of Ptolemy, with an appendix of planetary cycles and other tabular matter calculated to assist the ambitious student in making a preliminary test of the principles of astrology. Withal, it should not be mistaken for a representative work on the science, as it is but an apology and tentative appeal to reason.

These are but epitomes on the subject, representative of the labour performed by Americans in the interest of scientific research. Notwithstanding they have aroused greater popular interest in astrology than it ever before enjoyed in this country, they should not be allowed to mislead in creating an impression of authority or of finality.

Except the works of J. D. Dalton, of Boston, Holmes W. Merton, and W. H. Chaney, which are expensive and therefore not accessible to the majority, we wish to show how small is the probability that the character of any individual may be indubitably determined by application of the principles found in any of these rudimentary treatises. Most of them take into consideration only the position of the Sun in the zodiac; a few consider also the position of the Moon conjointly with the Sun. In the complete science there are considered the nine primary members of the solar system; twelve signs of the zodiac, in one of which each of the nine members may be found at a given time; the twelve mundane houses—that is, the twelve equal space divisions of the visible and invisible arcs of the heavens, which come up in the east and go down in the west at the rate of one mundane house space of thirty degrees arc every two hours; and, finally, six major aspects or relative positions into which each of the nine members falls twice in the course of from twenty-nine days, as in the case of the Moon, to one year, as in the case of each of the other eight, except Mercury and Venus, which never form but two or three of the major aspects with the Sun; though they form all six of the major aspects twice in from six months to a year with each of the planets.

The total number of determining factors is above three hundred; the rudimentary works mentioned attempt, in a superficial sort of way, to predict human characteristics by taking into consideration only twelve of the number, as in the case of solar biological works; and twenty-four of the number of over three hundred, as in the case of those which regard the joint position of the Sun and Moon in relation to the earth. Understand these things and judge accordingly. Then, perhaps, the proneness to criticise the failure of many hasty decisions by immature judgment will be mitigated.

#### **An Over-plus of Rehashed Publications—Scarcity of New, Original Work.**

In centuries there have been few able writers to give the world original works which elucidate the perplexing speculations on planetary influence. The old writers mentioned in this article are not cited to conjure by; nor yet in a pedantic spirit. As we shall see later on, each of the master minds left us meritorious treatises of various sides of the subject; but, in every book that deals with astrology in the English language, there has descended to the present generation an undue measure of superstition; or, at least, much that appeals to the senses as absurd and not founded on fact; rendering the task of separa-

ing the good from the bad one which nobody has seemed willing to undertake.

In the latter half of the 18th century, Dr. Partridge, the celebrated almanac prophet, was the innocent butt of a merciless lampooning by Goldsmith, whose ironical, mock prophecy concerning Partridge's death at a certain hour on a specified day was taken up and cried far and near after the manner of modern publicity given those forced humor epistles of Mark Twain. At that date there were some eminent wits, scholars and scientists in England who did much to offset the popular belief in astrology, which was just then in a thriving condition.

The immediate effects of which was to sober and cool down the unreined superstition of both educated and uneducated classes. Thence for a period of two generations astrological adepts were scarce. In 1819 there appeared the "Dictionary of Astrology," by James Wilson, philomath. No astrological work of similar penetration has been published in any age; it is the nearest approach to a rational astrological treatise extant. Wilson was a contemporary of Commander Morrison, of the Royal Navy, and of R. C. Smith, both of whom were editors of the most popular astrological almanacs since the days of Partridge's. Writing under the nom-de-plumes of Zadkiel and Raphael, respectively, their unconditional support of all the tenets of the ancients not only offset the strong, fearless writing of Wilson then, but, being continued to the present under the same editorial pen names, those almanacs have evidently blinded the thinking mind to the shortcomings of the science set forth so vigorously in the "Dictionary of Astrology."

As no prophet ever had honour in his own country, we need not marvel at the scant attention paid by English speaking peoples to Wilson's timely and trenchant observations regarding the mistakes and superstitions advocated by every text book on astrology. Nobody has come to the front to champion his notes of warning, although it would be interesting to see the student who does not conscientiously subscribe to the merit of about all the disagreeable advice contained in the "Dictionary of Astrology."

There are a score or more of learned men in England devoted to astrology who, if once old customs, contracted methods and antiquated philosophies were laid aside, could regenerate it by bringing to its aid invaluable scientific sidelights that must form the basal rationale ere it receive the superficial attention of thinkers, who at present disdain any argument with astrologers except contempt for their lack of logic and plausibility.

There is small hope, however, of this generation of planetary influence believers doing anything which involves a radical departure from time honoured custom. The rules of the science justify the prophet in such or such a prediction in a majority of incidents, and no amount of argument to the contrary can shake his faith in the reliability of those rules. No matter about the cases wherein the observed discrepancies discredit the rules. Having passed safely through a flood of vilification for miscarried prophecies, our prophets are impervious to casual showers of denouncement from unbelievers.

(To be Continued.)

# On the Diurnal or Daily Horoscope.

By "ASTROLABUS."

ONE of the easiest means of convincing doubters that "the stars do rule" and at the same time one of the readiest in application, is the use of what is called the diurnal horoscope. Every believer in astral influence religiously purchases the current Ephemerides as they are issued. The current year is obtainable for 6d. and all past years for 1s. per copy. The Ephemeris gives the geocentric positions of the bodies of the solar system, that is, it shows the positions of the Sun, Moon and planets as viewed from the centre of the earth, and the first column in the Ephemeris under each month shows the "star time" for noon at Greenwich, which is more usually called "sidereal time."

All that is necessary in order to be able to test the verity of astrological science is to know the time of day at which birth occurred and to get Ephemerides for those years in which any important events occurred in the life.

Next, the signs of the Zodiac must be learned so that the inquirer can state readily which sign is opposite to any given sign. These have been published repeatedly in OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER, but to avoid confusion they are given here again.

Aries ♈	Taurus ♉	Gemini ♊	Cancer ♋	Leo ♌	Virgo ♍
Libra ♎	Scorpio ♏	Sagittarius ♐	Capricorn ♑	Aquarius ♒	Pisces ♓

Next, we must turn to the Ephemeris for the actual day of the event. When we have done so we must find out how far distant in time our birth was from noon.

For instance, a person born at 5 a.m. was born 7 hours before noon. But a person born at 5 p.m. was born 5 hours after noon.

Then, if the birth occurred *before* noon, *subtract* the amount of time before noon from the sidereal time given in the Ephemeris for the day of the event.

If the birth occurred *after* noon *add* the hours and minutes after noon to the given sidereal time.

Write down your answer and then turn to the end of the Ephemeris to the Tables of Houses. (Raphael's). Look in the columns marked sidereal time and find out the sidereal time which is nearest your answer as above.

Take no notice of any of the columns given in the table except those under the number 10 and that under the word Ascendant or its abbreviation, Ascen.

Copy the figures out which are opposite to your answer as above, and under these columns also putting down the character of the sign which you see just above in the column you are copying from. Use a table of Houses for the same latitude as your birth-place.

Take care lest you should copy the sign given at the top of the column when it ought to be changed,

because in the middle or end of the column another sign is given.

Then on your paper write down also the signs opposite to those given and you will have four points in the Zodiac, I may say the four most important points of any map of the heavens—generally known as the angles. They are the points of the rising, southing and setting and northing of stars or planets.

Now turn back to the day in the Ephemeris from which we started our calculation and you will find (in every case where you have performed the additions and subtractions properly and have used the correct time of birth) that there is one at least, and very often two, three and four of the bodies of the solar system in the actual degrees of the Zodiac, which you have obtained by your reckoning, or very close to them.

The object of this article is to give a simple test by means of which the wayfaring man even though he be a fool (or extremely simple) may convince himself that the stars do rule.

I give no abstract particulars as to judgment, etc., but I state a plain fact which is capable of instant proof or disproof by anyone who can add or subtract hours and minutes to or from other hours and minutes. And given accurate times of birth and genuine dates of events it will be found that it never can and never does fail. There are no exceptions and the professing astrologer can make it a general test of the truth of particulars supplied by others without the slightest fear or hesitation.

I give a few examples:—Male born 7.58 a.m., September 16th, 1874, or 4 hours and 2 minutes before noon.

His mother died on the 11th August, 1883. Sidereal time for noon that day was 9 hrs. 18 min. Take away the 4 hrs. 2 min. It leaves 5 hrs. 16 min. Look in table of houses for London. You will find 20° 11 on the 10th and 22°-20' 11 on Ascendant. Opposite points to these are in ♏ and ♌.

In Ephemeris for 1883, on 11th August, Uranus was in 21°-33' of 11 and ♏ was in 21°-48' 11.

The same gentleman on 1st October, 1903, passed a stone from the kidney. Deducting 4 hrs. 2 min. again we get 8 hrs. 34 min. which gives in the table of houses these points, ♏ 6° and ♎ 27° and their opposites ♎ 6 and ♏ 27°.

In Ephemeris, Saturn in ♎ 2°-44' and Moon at noon in ♎ 9, but at the daily horoscope time 4 hrs. before the Moon was 7°-24' ♎.

Female born 5.0 a.m., 11th September, 1870, or 7 hours before noon. Mother died 13th December, 1893. Sidereal time on that day at noon was 17 hrs. 29 min. Take away the 7 hours. It leaves 10 hrs. 29 min. In table of houses we get by halving the amounts (because the table of houses gives 17 hrs. 27 min. and 17 hrs. 31 min.) 11 51° 11 17°-12' and their opposites in ♌ and ♏. On the day mentioned, 13th December, 1893, Mars was in 17°-28' 11 and Uranus was in 13°-27' 11.

The same lady on 9th September, 1905, was taken very ill with influenza. Doing the same as before we find these points,  $5^{\circ} \Pi$  and  $11^{\circ}$  of  $\eta\gamma$  and their opposites  $\mathfrak{f}$  and  $\mathfrak{X}$ . On the day of illness Jupiter was in  $\Pi 6^{\circ}$  and  $\mathfrak{g}$  was in its opposite *nearly* in  $11^{\circ}$  of  $\mathfrak{f}$ , but  $\mathfrak{g}$  students will notice was exactly square with Ascendant and all connected with *breathing* signs.

I could give many more, but these will serve for a model; and the more care that is taken in recording the time of birth the greater the exactness with which the planets will agree with the degrees on the angles.

Some of our opponents say that astronomical positions like these are *coincidences*. But a coincidence which is *invariably repeated* is no longer a coincidence. When such things occur in chemistry, etc.,

invariably when conditions are complied with our opponents then talk of a *law*. I claim in this article to have furnished a simple means of finding so many astronomical coincidences with daily human life as to furnish evidence of the law of planetary influence. No more knowledge is needed than adding and subtracting and a 6d. or 1s. Ephemeris.

[Our contributor makes a claim which in fairness to other astrologers can hardly be allowed. The diurnal horoscope as a factor in prediction has been known by progressive students for quite a decade, and illustrations of its use have been given on pages 49, 189, and 209 of the first vol. of the MESSENGER. The *modus operandi* of the theory is not, however, quite as our friend puts it, as it must be taken in conjunction with the operating directions, and has no power of its own.—ED.]

## The Mysteries of Numbers--II.

By "NUMERATO."

WE will now turn our attention to the reversal and subtraction of numbers, and for this purpose must choose those numbers where the first figure is greater than the last, otherwise the subtraction cannot be made.

Take any number under this condition, reverse the figures and subtract one from the other; the total of the figures in the result will be 9 or a multiple of 9.

Numbers	...	371	9834	58412	83215
Reversed	...	173	4389	21485	51238
Result	...	198	5445	36927	31977

Total of figures in result	...	18	18	27	27
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Now a curious point about this matter is that in the cases where there are an odd number of figures, 3, 5, 7 or 9, the middle figure of the result will always be 9 or 0. Let us take three cases haphazard:

82245	69312	8751725
54228	21396	5271578
28017	47916	3480147
18	27	27

The solution to this anomaly depends upon the two figures on either side of the centre figure in the original number. If the left hand figure is *less* than the right, the middle figure of the result will be 0; if the left hand figure is *greater* than the right, then the middle figure of the result will be

9. But this rule is only applicable to numbers with an *odd* number of figures.

Another puzzling case is found in the following: Take any number of two figures, the first figure being larger than the second, reverse and subtract, again reverse, and subtract again, if possible, if not possible add, and the result will always be 99. It will be possible to reverse the figures twice in some cases. Examples:

91	85	64
19	58	46
72	27	18
27	72	81
45	99	99
54		
99		

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This can be done with three figures, and the result is always 1089. Examples :

832	912	875
238	219	578
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594	693	297
495	396	792
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1089	297	1089
	792	
	1089	

With four figures the result will be 9999 or 10890. Examples :

9312	9247	9911
2139	7429	1199
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7173	1818	8712
3717	8181	2178
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3456	9999	6534
6543		4356
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9999		2178
		8712
		10890

With five figures the result 99099.

91971	83365
17919	56338
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74052	27027
25047	72072
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As a conclusion to this month's paper the following reversal and subtraction of figures is given.

Subtract 45 from 45 so that 45 remain.

Add together	9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1	= 45
Add "	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	= 45
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Add "	8, 6, 4, 1, 9, 7, 5, 3, 2	= 45

Next month we will present some more striking curiosities.

### Farm Work by "Signs."

The farmers of the township of Fayette, adjoining Waterloo, are largely of Pennsylvania Dutch origin, says a Waterloo (N.Y.) correspondent of the *Rochester Post-Express*. They are a hardy and thrifty race, and for general intelligence compare favourably with their neighbours of Anglo-Saxon stock. They are, however, full of the quaint superstitions and rural folk-lore of their fathers. Not only in the tilling of their land, but in all the minute concerns of their daily lives the "signs" must be right before anything is done, or—"woe betide."

If a cheese is to be cut it must be done in the increase of the Moon, or it will fade away with in-

## Another Burden.

You've heard of the "White man's burden,"

Yes, you've heard of it o'er and o'er,

But we each have another burden,

I've never mentioned before.

'Tis a burden that haunts men and women—

You can tell from their watchful eye ;

As they seem to search the very souls

Of those whom they pass by.

'Tis said the eye is the window of the soul,

And, really, I think it quite true,

As eyes silently scan each other,

Seeming to pierce through and through.

As one soul yearns for another,

Which, in nature, somewhere has been placed,

It peeps through its window to discover,

As it looks out on each passing face.

Somewhere out in Nature's vast extent,

Dwells one whose soul is attuned to your own ;

And the search of those restless eyes

Is the story of some soul yet alone.

Looking, waiting, watching,

Perhaps ne'er to be met on earth ;

But ever silently searching and pining

For the glad soul-mating birth.

Pining for their soul mates,

Searching ever and anon,

Souls go through Life's tread-mill

With faces haggard and wan.

Oh ! when will our search be ended ?

Will it be in a sphere beyond this ?

When we meet with that loved one,

Will it be blended with Soul's sweetest kiss ?

Then will the cycle be completed—

Those two souls to be as one,

A new era in each one's life—

The real life then just begun.

No more that restless searching,

No more the poor tired soul to wait ;

Now, for the life so grand, so true ;

Each soul with its own soul-mate.

C. L. PORTER, Longton, Kansas.

credible rapidity, whereas if it be done as the Moon waxes, it will be like the widow's measure of meal and cruse of oil.

If fence posts are to be set, spade must not be put to the ground till the position of the Sun in the zodiac be determined from the almanac. Otherwise it is only a matter of time when, not the frost below, but the stars above, will heave them from their places. The swine must not be slaughtered with disregard for the stellar divinities, or the pork will dwindle in the barrel as if an army corps were feeding thereon.

In the sowing, tilling and harvesting of their crops, of course, the same fidelity to the old folk-notions of their fathers is shown.

# Birthday Influences during April.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏. ♀ ♀, ♀ ☉. Not a very important birthday, little disappointments, slight indisposition and worries. A child born on this day will have a quiet life, but will never rise to more than a respectable mediocrity.

2. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♍. ☿ ♀, ☉ ♀. A favourable year, beneficial changes, improvement in business and position, financial gain and advancement. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, will rise in life and attain to a fairly good position, but should avoid being over ambitious.

3. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ☉ ♀. A contradictory birthday, indisposition and family troubles and bereavement, but financial gain, favourable changes and improvement in affairs. A child born on this day will be ambitious and pushful, should rise to a high position and have much success and prosperity, but is in danger of downfall and disgrace.

4. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♌. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ☉ ♀. An unfavourable birthday, losses, troubles, worries, annoyances, some changes and benefits in employ. A child born on this day will be sharp and energetic, but liable to get into troubles through over-reaching himself. He will not make much headway in the world, being too impressionable and deceitful.

5. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♎. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A very unfavourable birthday, losses, indisposition, troubles in employment, and with superiors, some slight benefits and changes. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle in life, and though possessing artistic tastes and refinement will find the cold winds of adversity too keen for his sensitive frame, and will suffer much.

6. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏. ☿ ♀, ☉ ♀. Another evil birthday, many unpleasant changes and danger of accidents and disputes. Benefits in employ. A child born on this day will be rash and impetuous, hot tempered and consequential, and should keep his impulses in check or he will come to bad in the end. Will gain in employ.

7. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♍. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A brighter year, social, financial and general benefits, gain through others, but some slight disappointments. A child born on this day will rise in life and attain position and affluence, should be careful in dealings with the other sex.

8. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A quiet year, some changes and benefits, probably a removal. A child born on this day will be clever, intuitive, original and impressionable, but will have a more or less quiet career.

9. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♍. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. An unfavourable year, grief, sorrow and

bereavement, much unpleasantness and trouble. A child born on this day will be active and energetic, but will have a hard struggle in life.

10. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A changeable year, benefits in business and employ, danger of disputes and accidents, unfavourable changes, but new responsibilities, and favourable intercourse with the other sex. A child born on this day will be clever, serious and contemplative, liable to troubles through law and disputes, and rather extravagant.

11. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♌. ♀ ♀, ☉ ♀. An evil anniversary, much trouble, break up of existing conditions, and sorrowful experiences. Little benefits in employ. A child born on this day should always remain in employ, and never undertake things on own responsibility. Will have much to contend with in life.

12. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♎. ♀ ♀, ☉ ♀. Another evil anniversary, losses, changes and unpleasant experiences, some financial benefits, but danger of plots and schemes. A child born on this day will be narrow minded, sensitive, and tricky, will gain through association with others, but never make much headway in life.

13. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏. ♀ ♀, ☉ ♀. An evil anniversary, losses, troubles, worries and annoyances in every possible manner. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle in life, will be hindered and limited in making his way and suffer much. He will come to an unfortunate end.

14. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♍. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. Another unfavourable anniversary. Danger of accident, law and disputes, unpleasant experiences and changes. A child born on this day will be rash and ungovernable in temper, will have much trouble in life and suffer through the hands of others.

15. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A more successful year, changes and financial benefits, but slight danger of accidents and indisposition. A child born on this day will be somewhat rash and hasty, liable to trouble through the other sex, but clever, original and intuitive, and will gain through superiors and in employment.

16. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♍. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A troublesome year, losses and heavy expenses, many little worries and annoyances. A child born on this day will be extravagant and prodigal, sharp tricky and unreliable, and have little success in life.

17. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄. ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A generally good year, social and financial benefits, improvement in position

gain through the other sex and favourable changes. A child born on this day will be popular and esteemed, clever, original and inventive, and will have much success in life.

18. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♏, \* ♂, P ♄. A quiet year on the whole, some changes and danger of indisposition. A child born on this day will be active and energetic, but will have much to contend with and health may often be a drawback in life.

19. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♏, □ ♄, ♂ ♄, □ ♄, ☉ P ♄. Another unfavourable birthday, losses, troubles, indisposition and unfavourable changes, but some financial and social gains. A child born on this day will be popular and esteemed, but will find health a barrier to success. He will be erratic and changeable, but will benefit through association with others.

20. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♏, ♂ ♄, ♀ ☉, P ♄ ♄, ♄ ☉, Δ ♄, □ ♂. A good year generally, success in many ways, social and financial benefits, changes and gain through the other sex, some danger of law and accidents. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, artistic and refined, will rise in life, and gain approval and esteem from others, but should guard against law and quarrels.

21. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♏, \* ♄, Δ ♄, ☉ ♂ ♄. A successful year, changes, travel, improvement in position and general business success. A child born on this day will be quick, intelligent, active and original, will gain through travel and enterprise.

22. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♏, □ ♄, Δ ♂, P ♂. An unfavourable anniversary, many annoyances and worries, but some favourable changes. A child born on this day will be active, quick, energetic and ready, but inclined to be rash, and have many little hindrances and obstacles to contend against.

23. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♏, \* ♄, ♄ ♄, ☉ ♄. A changeable and unpleasant year, benefits through elderly people, some social success, but many little worries and annoyances. A child born on this day will be serious, steady and contemplative, trustworthy, but will have a lot of trouble in life and should always remain in employ.

24. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♏, \* ♄, ☉ ♄. A successful year, many changes, improvement of position, social and financial gain and many benefits through others. A child born on this day will be popular, respected and successful, should rise in life to a good position and have great prosperity.

25. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♏, \* ♄, ♂ ♄, □ ♄, ☉ Δ ♄. Another favourable birthday, business success, social and financial benefits, some danger of indisposition and secret attacks. A child born on this day will rise in life, and be very clever and successful, and gain praise and benefits from many.

26. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♏, ♂ ♄, ♀ □ ♂. An unpleasant year, disputes and worries, unfavourable changes. A child born on this day will be erratic and changeable, sharp in temper and continually in disputes with others.

27. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♏, □ ☉, ♀ ♄, ♂ ♂. An evil anniversary, ill health, family troubles, danger of accident, disputes and continual annoyances. A child born on this day will be rash and impulsive, erratic, changeable, tricky and shallow, always in trouble and unless careful will come to a bad end.

28. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♏, Δ ♄, P ♂, ♄ ☉, ♂ ♄. A favourable year, new responsibilities, improvement of position, danger of accident, but success in love affairs and marriage for both sexes. A child born on this day will be artistic and refined, serious and steady, in danger of law and disputes, and very popular with the opposite sex.

29. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♏, ♂ ♄, P ☉ ♄. A fairly successful year, improvement in position, social and financial benefits, benefits from superiors and success in love affairs. A child born on this day will be popular and esteemed, will rise in life and be very successful. Should marry well.

30. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♏, Δ ☉, ♄ P ♄, \* ♄. A successful year, social and financial benefits, gain in employment, success in love affairs and marriage. A child born on this day will be popular and esteemed, should marry well and be very successful.

### Must Love Men.

Every relation to mankind, of hate or scorn or neglect, is full of vexation and torment. There is nothing to do with men but to love them; to contemplate their virtues with admiration, their faults with pity and forgiveness. Task all the ingenuity of your mind to devise some other thing, but you can never find it. To hate your adversary will not help you; to kill him will not help you; nothing within the compass of the universe can help you but to love him. But let that love flow out upon all around you, and what could harm you? How many a knot of mystery and misunderstanding would be united by one word spoken in simple and confiding truth of heart? How many a solitary place would be made glad if love were there, and how many a dark dwelling would be filled with light!

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# OLD MOORE'S

## Monthly Outlook and Forecast



MAY, 1909.

### The New Moon.

The lunation of the 20th April falls in the Ascendant in the last degree of Aries, the luminaries being attended by Saturn, Venus and Mercury. Uranus occupies the tenth house, Neptune the fourth house, Mars the eleventh, and Jupiter the sixth.

The rising position of many planets points to much restlessness among the people, depression and discontent, also a tendency among the younger generation towards literature and art, and improvement educationally. The financial condition of the country seems to improve, possibly only temporarily. The postal service and railways will have a more successful time. The position of Neptune in the fourth house points to socialistic agitation, and with Uranus in the tenth house, neither Royalty nor the Government will have a successful period, but will have much to contend with. Theatres and places of amusement will benefit, also the younger generation. Jupiter in the sixth house is favourable for the general health of the public, while naval and military affairs will be more settled. Foreign affairs will be somewhat disquieting, for Mars ruling part of the seventh is elevated above the luminaries; but as Venus rules part of the seventh actual disputes may be safely tided over. Many marriages of note will occur. Colonial affairs will be more

satisfactory. Mars in the eleventh house points to disputes and wrangling in the Commons, dissensions and party splits. Hospitals and institutions will benefit.

### United States.

At Washington the lunation takes place in the fourth house, Uranus rising and Neptune setting. This points to double dealing on the part of foreign powers, inclement weather in the Eastern States and some underground troubles in the Central States. At San Francisco Jupiter culminates, which is favourable for the prosperity of the city. Sore railway disasters are threatened.

### India.

At Calcutta Saturn culminates, a warning to the Viceroy. It also signifies disgrace to some prominent men. Neptune rising indicates much agitation among the Hindus. There will be many sudden deaths and much mortality in the land.

### Europe.

At Petersburg Mars culminates, warning the Czar to safeguard his health and person. Some notable man will succumb to the assassin's hand. Uranus culminates in Berlin, showing trouble in high places, extraordinary occurrences in the German Government.

Neptune, on the lower meridian in Holland and in the sign ruling that country, shows troubles among the people of that country. Fires are threatened in 27 E. Long., and Russia especially. Saturn culminates in 93 E., denoting trouble to the authorities. and in 87 W. seismic troubles are threatened, Fires and accidents are threatened in London.

### General Forecasts.

England, Germany and Denmark will feel the effects of this lunation fall in their ruling sign, bring much trouble and depression. Rioting, fires and outrages will occur in Russia, Mars being in Aquarius ruling that country. Indian, South African and Dutch affairs will be upset. Paris, Turkey, and places under Virgo will benefit considerably.

### Stock Exchange.

The Brewery Shares we advised are now on the rise, and we trust many small operators have benefited. The long stagnation in South African Mines now comes to an end, and it will be safe business to buy out any of the dividend payers, and at risky price many of the others. As Investment Stock buy Uruguay 5 per cent. Conversion 1905, which later on will go to par. Sell all English rails, bad times ahead for certain. At every rise many large holders are clearing out.

## Almanack Predictions

FOR MAY, 1909.

### Raphael.

Distress in the land, outcry against the ruling powers, improvement in trade and Exchequer. Railways and post office benefit. Neptune evil for landed interest, socialistic element strong. Younger generation, theatres, etc., benefit, public health good. Naval and military affairs prominent and expenditure run high. Foreign affairs more peaceful,

several marriages of note. Angry debates in the Commons, party splits, and argumentation. Assassinations in Russia.

### Zadkiel.

A sudden outbreak of violence to be feared. Anarchist violence in Russia, Madrid and Barcelona. Switzerland and West Indies benefit. Much mortality among the aged.

### Orion.

Sedition at home, and in India and Colonies. Extensive demonstrations among the unemployed, and good deal of ill-feeling between masters and men. Strikes and labour troubles. Storms and gales. Political changes and much public excitement. Important measure in regard to National defences and sharp debates. Attitude of Government severely criticised. Severe storms and shocks of earthquake.

### Old Moore.

Excitement and trouble over labour question. Re-organisation of railways. Taxes lightened. Post Office offer further facilities. Literature and science prominent and advancing. A scene in the Commons. Assassinations in Europe. A disaster to women. Disgrace and death to a great financier. Big drapery fire in London. Haul of railway thieves and police scandal. Crushing disaster in the West of England.

### Francis Moore.

Much excitement in the land; artistic and literary affairs receive an impetus. Condition of revenue good, some remission of taxation. Postal and railways will have more prosperous time. Socialistic agitation. Foreign affairs proceed smoothly and many marriages of note. Heated debates in the Commons and much disputation. Fires and disasters in London. Some noted man in Russia will fall to the assassin's blow

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# Astronomical Phenomena

FOR MAY, 1909.

## Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	5th	...	0h.	8m.	aft.
Last Quarter,	12th	...	9h.	45m.	aft.
New Moon,	19th	...	1h.	42m.	aft.
First Quarter,	27th	...	1h.	28m.	morn.

## Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Taurus; enters Gemini on 21st at 5.45 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is an evening star in Taurus, enters Gemini on 5th. It is well placed for observation, sets 1. 9m. after the Sun on 1st, 2h. 4m. on 11th, and 2h. 11m. on 21st. The planet should be looked for in the north-western sky soon after sunset.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Taurus; enters Gemini on 16th. The planet is at present too near the Sun for observation.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Aquarius, enters Pisces on the 25th.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening in Virgo well placed for observation.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Aries.
- ♅. URANUS is in Capricorn all the month.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer, declining toward the west after sunset.
- ☾. The following table gives the Moon's position on each day at noon.

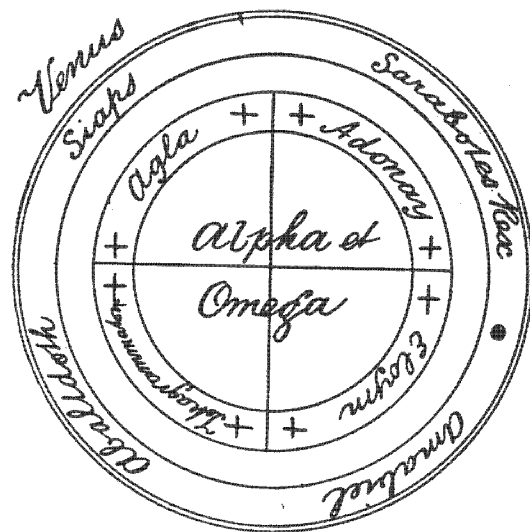
16, 17	Aries	2, 3, 29,	} Libra
		30, 31	
18, 19	Taurus	4, 5, 6	Scorpio
20, 21	Gemini	7, 8	Sagittarius
22, 23	Cancer	9, 10	Capricorn
24, 25, 26	Leo	11, 12, 13	Aquarius
1, 27, 28	Virgo	14, 15	Pisces

## The Weather.

The weather for the month promises to be settled and generally warm and fine, for the Sun is in square to Mars to the 28th, and in conjunction with Venus to the 17th. Heat will be experienced, thunder, and probably heavy showers. Slight changes are shown on 1st, 5th, and 12th, storms likely 8th and 13th, while the 17th and 28th are variable. On the whole a fine month may be expected.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

## The Pentacle for the Month



This Talisman, copied on pure parchment or engraved on pure gold) and worn upon the body, will bring the wearer success in all love affairs.

The reader can easily make his or her test as an amateur by carefully copying the above Talisman, when four planetary aspects are good (see Raphael's Ephemeris), and wearing as directed. We can supply suitable blank parchment squares 12 for 2/6 post free.

## Horoscopes for South Latitude.

By E. H. BAILEY.

**I**N order to illustrate the method of erecting horoscopes for South Latitude without having any reversal of signs, I propose to take the following example:—

January 1st, 1909. 12 p.m. (midnight). Latitude 37 S., Long. 144 E. This falls close to Melbourne in Australia. I have chosen the latitude given, as there is a table of houses for 37. N. in Raphael's little booklet, which should be obtained by students from the publishers of THE MESSENGER. Price 1s. The first step is to find the corresponding Greenwich time to this local time. 144. E. is equal in time to 9 hrs. 36 min., and being *East* Greenwich time will be 9h. 36m. less than local time. The corresponding time at Greenwich will therefore be 2.24 p.m.

We have, therefore, the following formula:—

Sidereal time at noon, day of birth, *plus* local time of birth, *plus* correction for corresponding Greenwich time. Thus:—

	H.	M.	S.
Sidereal time (noon) day of birth	18	41	59
Local time of birth, 12 p.m. ....	12	0	0
Correction for Greenwich time,			
2 hrs. 24 min. ....	0	0	24

Sidereal time at birth (less 24 hrs.) 6 42 23

The 24 hrs. are deducted because the total comes to more than this amount. This is the first step, and students should note well how it is done.

The next step is to add 12 hours to this total. The result is 18 hrs. 42 min. 23 sec. With this we now turn to the table of houses for 37. N. The nearest to this is 18 hrs. 43 min. 31 sec. Now on a piece of paper put down the numbers of the houses as they

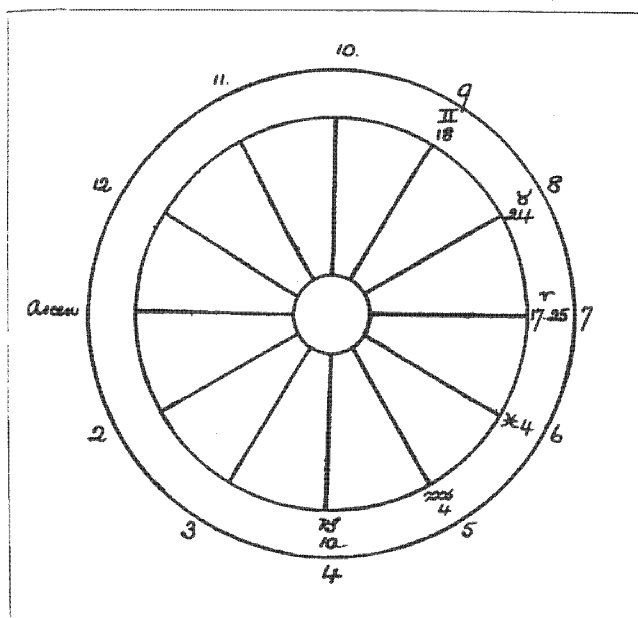
are given in the table, and underneath them place the numbers of the opposite houses as follows:—

10	11	12	Asc.	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9

Then underneath these take out the figures in the table of houses opposite the sidereal time, 18 hrs. 43 min. 31 sec. 10 ♄, 4 ♀, 4 ♀, 17.25 ♀, 24 ♀, 18 ♀. There will now be three rows of figures. Take no notice of the top row, but

observe the *middle* and *bottom* rows. Now take the blank horoscope form, with the houses numbered as in the figure shown. The figures 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, relate to the houses of that number as marked on the figure. Therefore, place 10 ♄ on the fourth house, 4 ♀ on the fifth, 4 ♀ on the sixth, 17.25 ♀ on the seventh, 24 ♀ on the eighth, and 18 ♀ on the ninth, as shown in the map.

This done, fill in the remaining six houses.



with the same degree of the opposite signs as those on the six houses already filled in, Thus 10 ♄ on the tenth, ♄ 4 on the 11th, ♀ 4 on the 12th, 17.25 ♄ on the Ascen., 24 ♀ on the 2nd, 18 ♄ on the 3rd.

Students should carefully study this example. The whole question is one of great simplicity, the only difference to the ordinary method of erecting a horoscope for north latitude is that 12 hours are added to the sidereal time found, and the cusps of the houses are taken directly from the table of houses, with the one exception that they are filled in from the fourth house round to the 9th, instead of the orthodox way from the tenth round to the third.

The figure annexed shows the manner in which the figures from the table of houses

are taken and inserted in the figure. It is also to be said that the ascendant in this figure is on the *left* hand, exactly the same as in a map for north latitude.

In calculating the planets' places for this horoscope we must take them for the Greenwich time, 2.24 p.m. on Jan. 1st, *not* for the local time of 12 p.m.

It is our intention, as soon as space permits, to give a series of articles on erecting horoscopes for all parts of the world, showing standard time, and how it affects local and Greenwich time. In our next three issues we shall, in response to an appeal, give rules and illustrations of how to calculate the time of birth when the day only is known, from past events. This is a *praxis* for advanced students never before published.

## Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

MAY, 1909.

1	25 ♀ 57	A doubtful day; safeguard health and disputes.
2	7 ♄ 52	<i>Sunday.</i> A quiet day. Visit friends.
3	19 ♀ 52	An evil day for all purposes; safeguard health and avoid disputes and changes.
4	2 ♀ 0	A good day for new undertakings, social and financial transactions and for pushing affairs.
5	14 ♀ 17	An unfavourable day: be careful of accidents and quarrels and avoid the opposite sex.
6	26 ♀ 44	A doubtful day. Do not travel and avoid pleasure and luxury.
7	9 ♄ 22	An evil day for all purposes.
8	22 ♀ 11	A doubtful day. Avoid travel and guard against accidents.
9	5 ♀ 14	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel and visit friends.
10	18 ♀ 31	Deal with superiors from 11 to 2 and visit friends in evening. Evil for all else. Safeguard health and act discreetly.
11	2 ♄ 2	An unimportant day.
12	15 ♀ 49	Travel, change, push business, attend to correspondence. Avoid accidents and disputes after 8 p.m.
13	29 ♀ 52	A very evil day. Do not travel, safeguard the person and avoid fire and sharp instruments.
14	14 ♄ 10	A successful day after 12 noon. Social and business transactions may be attended to then.
15	28 ♀ 40	A successful day. Deal with superiors, ask favours, push business and entertain. Safeguard health in the afternoon.
16	13 ♀ 17	<i>Sunday.</i> An unfavourable day. Attend to correspondence.
17	27 ♀ 56	A successful day; travel, remove, begin new enterprises, push affairs and make plans for work.
18	12 ♄ 31	A successful day for ordinary matters. Avoid disputes in the evening.
19	26 ♀ 55	A doubtful day. Attend entertainments in evening.
20	11 ♀ 1	An unfavourable day for all purposes.
21	24 ♀ 48	Travel, change, begin new work, push affairs and deal with practical people.
22	8 ♄ 12	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties.
23	21 ♀ 13	<i>Sunday.</i> An evil day for all purposes. Safeguard health.
24	3 ♄ 53	Another evil day. Avoid females and the opposite sex.
25	16 ♀ 15	Deal with superiors, ask favours, deal with elderly people and make plans.
26	28 ♀ 23	Attend to correspondence in the morning. Avoid accidents and disputes in the afternoon.
27	10 ♀ 22	An evil day for social, financial and business affairs.
28	22 ♀ 16	Travel in the a.m. Avoid disputes and safeguard health in the evening.
29	4 ♄ 9	Deal with superiors, ask favours and push business in the evening.
30	16 ♀ 6	<i>Sunday.</i> An evil day for all purposes.
31	28 ♀ 10	Attend to correspondence in the a.m.; engage in new work and enterprises in the p.m.

## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### VIII.—VENUS.

**O**F all the planets in our solar system none is more well known than the beautiful planet Venus. It is not remarkable for its size; in fact, there are many larger. It has not even the splendid retinue of attendants like Saturn and the mighty Jove. Still, the fact remains that Venus is peerless among our planetary orbs. Often we see in the western sky, just after sunset, a brilliant orb, outrivalling even Sirius and Jupiter, and this orb is the planet Venus.

Now with the other planetary bodies we have described there is a difference. Mars, Jupiter, and the outer planets are visible in the eastern sky directly after sunset, but Venus is never so visible. This is due to the fact that its orbit lies between the Sun and our Earth, and consequently the planet appears to make a sort of pendulum motion, first on one side of the Sun and then on the other, never separated more than about 48 degrees from the major luminary.

When Venus is first seen in the evening after sunset it appears just as a point of light, but as time goes on it rises higher and higher in the western sky, and at last, at sunset, is seen as a conspicuous object elevated some distance above the horizon. Then a change takes place. Every evening at sunset the planet is seen to be gradually nearing the western horizon, and at last it becomes too near the Sun to be visible.

After a while it will be seen in the eastern sky just before sunrise, and as time progresses it will be found to rise earlier and earlier each day, until just before sunrise it will be considerably elevated above the eastern horizon. Then the same change occurs. Morning after morning it will be found to rise later, and at sunrise it will be lower and lower in the sky, until at last it again disappears, to reappear a little later on as an evening star just above the Sun at sunset.

Another difference exists in regard to Venus from the other planets. At various

times it is seen as a small black spot crossing the face of the Sun. The planets, whose orbits lie outside of the Earth, never do this. This phenomena is called a transit, and is a very striking and beautiful spectacle. Unfortunately, it does not occur very often. It occurred in 1874 and again in 1882, but it will not occur again until the year 2004.

The subject of the transit of Venus and the discoveries which have been made in connection therewith are too technical to be discussed here, but the chief use made of this transit is that it gives a means of calculating the distance of the Sun from the Earth.

The diameter of Venus is nearly that of our Earth, 7,660 miles. It revolves round the Sun at a distance of 67 millions of miles at the rate of 22 miles per second, completing the entire journey in just under 225 days.

With regard to its distance from the Earth, it approaches at times to 26 millions of miles, while at others it is no less than 160 millions.

Viewed through a telescope Venus exhibits phases just like our Moon, sometimes showing a crescent form, then gradually becoming like Half Moon, and then the complete circle. This is caused exactly in the same way as the phases of the Moon, for the light reflected by Venus is the rays of the Sun, just in the same way as the moonlight is the rays of the Sun reflected by the Moon. We must now pass on to the planet Mercury, as we have yet a very long journey to take before we have finished.

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## CHAPTER VII.

### RESIDENCE.

We will now take up another branch of our subject, viz., the choice of a Locality and Residence.

This is an important subject, and one which the writer has had many opportunities of testing, as some localities are ruinous, while others are very beneficial; houses situated on one position are positively dangerous, while others are conducive to health and success. We will divide the subject into its two heads—Locality and Residence.

*Locality.*—The third, fourth, and ninth houses with the planet therein are to be considered. The fourth shows the birth environment, the third removals and short journeys, and the ninth long journeys and foreign lands. The fourth house well tenanted by benefic planets, or the ruler of that house a benefic and well placed, the native should remain in or near his birth-place all through life. The third house well influenced, and stronger than the fourth, then the native should move a little way from his native place. The ninth house, stronger than the third or fourth, then the native should travel to foreign lands. Now as to the directions in which the native should go, the following table should be studied:—

ARIES ... East	LIBRA ... West.
TAURUS ... East by North.	SCORPIO ... West by South.
GEMINI ... North by East.	SAGITTARIUS ... South by West.
CANCER ... North.	CAPRICORN ... South.
LEO ... North by West.	AQUARIUS ... South by East.
VIRGO ... West by North.	PISCES ... East by South.

Another point to be considered in regard to Locality is the various towns and places ruled by the signs. We will give a detailed list in our next issue.

If the third house has Gemini on the cusp and planets placed therein and well aspected, any place ruled by that sign would be suitable to live in, but the direction the

place is situated in regard to the birth place should also be considered as well.

The position of the ruler of the three houses should be considered when there are no planets in the houses. Thus, if no planets are in the fourth, and the ruler of that house is in Aries, and well placed, then go in the direction of that sign.

It may sometimes happen that the rulers of the three houses are badly placed, or the planets therein are unfortunate. Then choice must be made of the most beneficially placed planet, and according to the sign in which it is placed so should the direction from the place of birth be taken.

With regard to foreign travel, more judgment is required. The countries ruled by the signs should have chief consideration, but the direction is one which is difficult to interpret, and for this reason a person alters entirely his horoscope. If he goes 90 degrees west, six hours must be deducted from his meridian, and the horoscope re-erected with this fresh meridian; if he goes the reverse way, the meridian must be increased as many hours and minutes as are equal to the degrees east he goes.

The subject is much too long to go into in these articles, but if my readers will turn to page 139, of Vol. I. of THE MESSENGER, they will find a very instructive article on this part of my subject from the pen of "Astrolabus," which will repay careful study. There is one other point to be considered. If a Locality is required for health, look to the ascendant; if for finance, the second house; if for position and material success, then the tenth house; but bear in mind that the third, fourth, and ninth house are principally concerned in the matter of Locality, for if the first two are not favourably influenced, then it is no good seeking success near the birth place. At the same time, it is useless moving to a town or country ruled by a sign which is badly influenced by planets.

*Residence.*—By this term I mean the selection and position of a house. The four angles are to be considered first, according to the quality of the signs on their cusps.

Cardinal signs signify a detached Residence, one standing alone in its own grounds; one in a prominent place, on a hill, or at the beginning or end of a street

Fixed signs show a block of houses or row of cottages, those that present a fixed, solid, and substantial appearance, and always in the middle of a street.

Mutable signs denote semi-detached houses, artistic in appearance, neat and cosy, but always at the beginning or end of a street; not the first or last houses, but two or three down from either end. An equally important factor is the position of the house. This should be judged according to the best aspected or occupied house of the horoscope. If the first house has good planets therein, the house should face east; if the seventh house, then west; if the ninth, then south by west.

Now if we refer to our example horoscope we have the following:—

*Locality.*—No planets in third or fourth houses; ruler of these houses in the ninth. The ninth house trebly stronger than the others. The native would certainly do better in foreign lands. The ruler of the third and fourth being well aspected augurs a fair amount of success in or near the birth place, but the ruler of the ninth being in that house, elevated and unafflicted, shows the greater success in foreign lands.

*Residence.*—Mutable signs on the cusps of the angles show a semi-detached house near the end or beginning of a street. The ninth house being the most fortunate of the twelve shows that the house should face south by west.

An example of the truth of this befell the native only a few months back. He resided in a semi-detached house facing south by west. A removal was found necessary, and a semi-detached house was chosen facing slightly south of east, in the direction of the twelfth house and the planet Saturn. The result was disastrous, much worry and annoyance followed, a period of ill success,

culminating in his being compelled to make a second move. This time the right house was chosen, semi-detached, nearly at the end of a street, but facing slightly west of south. The result was a great improvement in affairs, and a renewal of recent success and comfort.

## How to Study Astrology

(Continued).

### HORARY versus NATAL ASTROLOGY.

The word "Horary" as applied to Astrology is very puzzling to those who are only acquainted with "Natal" Astrology, which deals solely with natiivities, or horoscopes of persons. And many who may be disposed to grant the influence of planetary action in relation to the newly-born will scarcely, perhaps, be prepared for the statement that it is just as possible to cast a horoscope for the birth of an idea as for the birth of a child, and to predicate therefrom its nature, its progress, and its ultimate success or failure.

Yet so it is; and while the degree of precision with which this can be done will of necessity vary, as in all other arts or sciences, with the skill of the individual exponent, the mere fact that it can be done at all must make us ponder and reflect upon what many of us admit philosophically, without at all realising practically: namely, that there is no such thing as "chance." Divination by means of horary astrology is, then, a mere matter of fact, and is practised professionally by many who are too ignorant or too superficial to probe the mysteries of Natal Astrology.

Thus, an expert in this method of divination needs but to cast a figure for the time when he is asked a question on any important matter, to be able to form a trustworthy judgment as to the subject signified, its nature, the parties interested therein, and the final upshot of the whole affair.

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# Horoscopes of Notable Men.

MONS. BEAUTE, Holder of World's Fasting Record.

**B**ORN 19th May, 1877, 11.30 a.m. The first thing which arrests the eye in this horoscope is the dominant position of Taurus and the satellitum of planets in the 10th house, chief of which is the lordly Sun.

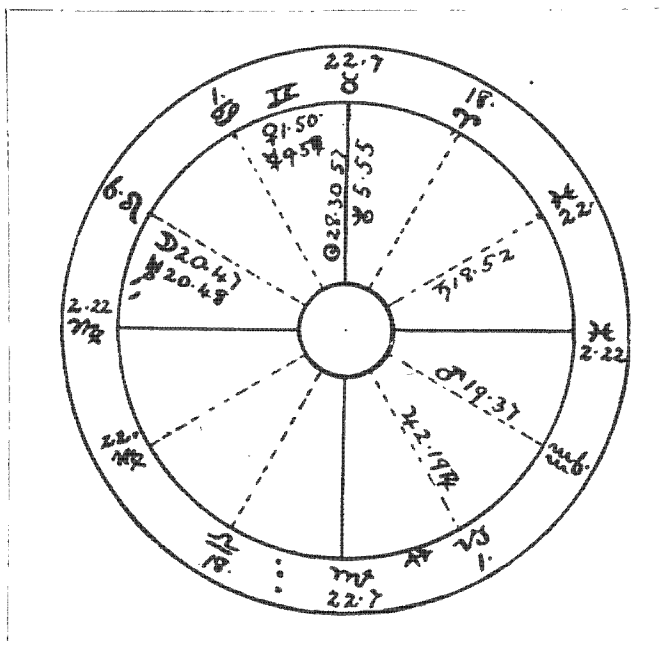
The Sun in Taurus in the mid-heaven, and five planets in fixed signs, shows this gentleman to be one of extraordinary will-power, determination and bulldog tenacity. Once his mind is concentrated on the attainment of something of note (which it will often be) nothing will daunt his spirit or turn him aside from its fulfillment. His great will-power is drawn from a radium-like accumulator, which never seems to run down. I have no doubt this accounts for his twenty-four successful long fasts. Camel-like he draws from his reserve.

His personality, like his individuality, is of the fixed type and is centred on an ambition which wants to make a mark in life, and which will impel him to seek fame and public recognition (♂ & ♀ rising in ♉).

His ruling planet well placed in his horoscope (♄ in 10th, P 4, ♂ ♀, Q ♄) shows his mind to be at one with his ambitious spirit, and which will not rest until it has reached the pinnacle, and

commanded public recognition. Five planets rising show his slow but steady ascent until the Sun-kissed apex is reached. But the climb will not be free from difficulties (♄ app. ☐ ☉), obstacles in the form of servants, partners, secret enemies, and trustees (♂ in 6th, 8 ♄ & ♄, ♄ ☐ 4) will crop up in his path and be a source of worry,

annoyance and loss to him. They will help to carry his baggage, but, on their sudden exit, he will be dismayed to find that they have carried it. And, even when in sight of the attainment of aims, there are likely to stand forth men of authority and civic honours, who, in charge of such high altitudes, will endeavour to oppose his final efforts (☉ Sep.



♄ & ♄; ♄ app. ☐ ☉; M.C. ☐ ♄ & ♄, ☐ ♂); but his indomitable will (☉ in 8) combined with his suavity of manners (♄ & ♄ ♀), and the clearness of his logic (♄ P 4) will finally break down their opposition, enabling him at last to plant his foot upon the pinnacle and cry "Eureka"!

We have seen that (♄, ♄, ☉ & ♄) account for his ambition and public name, but to the exalted position of the money sign, Taurus, must we look for the secret of his success. He is too practical and matter of fact (♄ asc., 8 M.C.) to think that he can exist on

such an ethereal thing as fame, alone. No, the "beacon light" which lures him on is glittering gold, not for its own sake, but that it may enable him to carry out his desires (☉ ☌ ♀). It not only gives him good earning ability for self, but also for others, hence he would make a first-class manager. ♀ ruler of 2nd in ♀ 10th shows gain through commissions.

In my opinion we have what may be termed a galaxy of occult influences which are sufficient to account for his fasting experiences. They are ♀ in ✕ 8th; ♀ ☌ ♀ in ♀ 12th; ♀ on 1st & 2nd cusps. Virgo shows him to be much interested in food-stuffs and hygiene, through which he meets with gain. The 8th house stands for everything private and secret, and Pisces here brings a sub-influence of the 12th, denoting work carried on in some institution or place of confinement. Saturn in the 8th shows it to be one of restraint and a long drawn out struggle with "life" in the house of "death." This "house of death," I am of the opinion, has to do with waxworks, for it has been in these places that Mr. Beauté has carried out most of his fasts, including his longest and most successful ones. These places, be it noted, have to do with everything of a morbidly sensational nature, viz., death, murder, suicide, robbery, and the hoarding up of all unique things, but particularly those connected with the foregoing.

Uranus in the 12th will make him fond of solitude when experimenting on secret and out of the common things in life. He will suffer restraints, privations and confinements, but they will be brought about through his own free-will or choice (☉ ☌ ♀ in ♀ fixed sign). The sign Leo on the 12th points to the place of confinement being one of entertainment. As we saw already, the Moon signified an ambitious personality which clamoured for public recognition, then it follows that its conjunction with Uranus indicates one of the means by which it realises that recognition.

Saturn in 8th, Mars in Aquarius 6th, opposition Moon and Uranus in Leo 12th, is a danger signal which this gentleman should not ignore. Though his horoscope indicates a strong constitution and sound health, yet

there is shown a tendency to indiscreet actions with regard to health. He should be careful not to deprive his life forces, for there is shown a grave liability of inhibition of function and suspension of the heart's action.

The following directions were operating at some of Mr. Beauté's most notable fasts during 1906-7-8: M.C.P. △ ☌ R, ✕ ♀ R and ♀ R; ☌ P ✕ ♀ R and P.

His Glasgow Fast of 39 days, 1st October to 8th November, 1906, was carried out under the direction of the ♀ P △ M.C.R., the Moon being on the progressed ascendant Virgo at the time.

His Glasgow University Fast of 28 days, 7th January to 4th February, 1907, was carried out on strictly scientific lines under the supervision of doctors and professors. But his health suffered much during this fast owing to the ♀ P □ ☉ P.

In his next Fast in Edinburgh, 18th February to 6th April, 1907, he established the world's record of 47 days under the following directions: February ♀ P □ ☉ P; March ♀ P △ ☉ R; April ♀ P □ 4 P. [Note—only 14 days elapsed for recuperation between his University Fast and his Edinburgh one.]

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### Answers to Correspondents.

"A.B.C."—There is not a book published which gives rules for finding a birth time from past events. Articles on the subject will begin in the June issue. "Egyptian Magic" (Budge) 10s. 6d.; S.S.D.D. 10s. 6d.; "Egyptian Pyramids," Book of Masters 10s. 6d.

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# The Truth of Hindu Astrology.

By "ASTROLABUS."

**B**EFORE commencing my remarks on my subject for this month, I should like to say a word or two respecting our Editor's footnote to my article on the Diurnal Horoscope in last month's issue on pages 136 and 137.

In the very first paragraph of that article I allude to "the use of *what is called* the diurnal horoscope." I think this fairly absolves me from any claim to originality with regard to this matter. It is, as the Editor remarks, a subject which has been known for some years. In "claiming to furnish a simple means etc., etc.," in the last paragraph of the article, I do not think that anyone will read the meaning that I "originated" the theory. In point of fact, however, it is *not* a theory. It is a reality. Certainly, no one who reads the article carefully can be led to believe that these astronomical coincidences have an influence of their own. They must rather be regarded as the chronocrators or time measurers which determine the actual dates of the operation of directions in the horoscope of birth. Thus it will be seen that I am in perfect agreement with our Editor on this point at least, and also that my article was not an attempt to claim originality, but simply to put a very easy method in front of our readers, by which *ANYONE* with merely the ability to read and to add or subtract hours and minutes from other hours and minutes, can convince themselves that "*THE STARS DO RULE*," and measure off the times of human lives.

Now, as regards Hindu Astrology, the subject of the present article. I am not going to pose as a professor of Hindu Astrology, because, as a matter of fact, I am a strong adherent of the system known as the Placidian or Primary Arc measure, as taught by Partridge Placidus, Oxley and the two Zadkiels, only the calculations are so extensive and consequently worth so much money that people cannot be got to pay for them, except among the wealthier classes. In the absence of these, the secondary system of directing forms a very fair guide to a life. So I don't think anyone will be able to say that I hold a brief for Hindu Astrology.

But students who care to purchase "Sepharial's Manual," as advertised on the covers of ours, will, in my opinion, get quite their money's worth, if not more, in the fourth book of that Manual, viz., pages 200 to 247, and the table on page 255.

In order to show how very remarkable this section is, I will give an instance which has lately come within my knowledge, and leave readers to judge for themselves. The gentleman does not wish any particulars of his nativity to be published, but allows me to use what I am now going to set forth.

I will first remark that the predictions in the section of Sepharial's Manual are judged from the position of the Moon at birth. Other matters are also taken into consideration, such as the relative strength and rulership of the planets; but as I cannot give the horoscope all these will be left out,

and only the bare predictions, as set out in Sepharial's book will be taken. The Moon at the birth in question was in 23°-50' of Scorpio. Readers who have the book will be able to verify what I quote.

The life commences with Saturn's sub period in the period of Saturn (page 242).

This period ended at the age of 1 year, 4 months, 20 days, and we find it stated that "Disease appears and the body languishes." This was borne out in the life. It was a hard task to save the life of the infant.

The Sun's sub-period in the period of Saturn commenced at 8 years, 4 months, 9 days, and ended at 9 years, 3 months, 20 days. The book, "Sepharial's," states for this period—"Danger of blood-poisoning. Affections of the eyes. Even healthy children and wives come to the sick bed under this influence. Body is full of pains and disorders. Danger of death." The native in the commencement of this period had erysipelas, and was given over by the doctor as the disease had got up to the head and eyes. In the latter part of the period his mother died, and his father had blood-poisoning in the feet." This agrees well, since directions often fall out at an early age upon the parents.

The period of the Moon commenced at 9 years, 3 months, 21 days, and ended at 10 years, 10 months, 20 days. The book states: "Trouble and sickness fall upon the native. Losses both of money and property. Native will be reduced to great need, and will sell or mortgage his property, and will recover it only after a lapse of time." In this period the subject of the sketch suffered from bronchitis twice. His father went bankrupt, and the family was completely split up and in great need. Matters took some time to right themselves.

Mar's sub-period in Saturn's period followed immediately after. "Some disgrace will fall upon the family. Very serious enmity and strife will ensue." In this period the father married again, unhappily, and the native's life was rendered miserable by constant quarrelling.

The remainder of the sub-periods in Saturn's period were also in agreement with the statements

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In "Sephariel's" book. Mercury's sub-period in the period of Mercury followed on immediately and commenced at 17 years, 4 months, 18 days, finishing at 19 years, 9 months, 14 days of age. The book states: "He gains in business and receives advancement. Learning will attract his attention and engage his efforts." Native in this period passed an important examination successfully and received two promotions, which put him into an entirely different and better environment. Dragon's Tail immediately followed and was also generally true. Following on this Venus' sub-period in Mercury's period commenced at 20 years, 9 months, and 12 days, and finished at 23 years, 7 months, 11 days. The book says (page 244): "Trade increases. Knowledge is gained. If not already married he will form an alliance at this time." Native in this period passed another and more important examination, received further promotion and married. Dragon's Head sub-period gave: "Removal from present position, headache, sickness and loss of appetite," exactly to time and as stated in the book. Saturn's sub-period in Mercury's period began at 31 years, 8 months, 9 days and finished at 34 years,

4 months, 17 days. The book states: "Bad fortune. He becomes a stranger to success and happiness. Severe reversal. Enmity is incurred. Some disease or pain in the part governed by Saturn. The mind is filled with gloomy forebodings and grief. Relatives suffer a downfall or some disgrace. The native suffers in consequence." All of which came to pass exactly.

I feel certain that "Sephariel," in giving his translation of the Kâlāmritam, has done an important service to the study of predictive science.

I have spent hours in trying to fathom the principle upon which the Hindus have founded their method, but so far to no purpose. That it is literally true I am convinced, both by other people's experiences and my own. The above instance is, however, striking, and is not all that could be shown; but what I have set down is all that I am allowed to quote by the native.

NOTE.—In giving the longitude as Scorpio 23° 50' I give, of course, the European position. For the Hindu Zodiac the Ayanamsha period must be allowed for. The book in question, "Sephariel's Manual of Astrology," can be had from the publishers of this Magazine.

## A Subscriber's Friendship Column.

**W**E are always delighted to receive suggestions for the improvement of THE MESSENGER and append the subjoined letter from one of our readers in the hope that sufficient interest will be evinced in the subject of a "Friendship Column" to make it one of the permanent features of our journal. The letter runs thus:

"I have been thinking that as you have given up the matrimonial advertisements in your paper, perhaps there may be some of your readers who would like a 'Friendship Column.' I mean they could advertise something like this: 'Gentleman, Sun in ♈ (or wherever it may be), Moon in ♈ (or wherever it is) would like to meet with lady friend,' here he can state which sign he wishes her Sun and Moon to be in. There must be many of your readers who would like to make friends, apart from the matrimonial question altogether, and a friendship made on astrological lines would be more lasting and genuine. Of course, if afterwards they wished to marry, they could; but I think there are many who would simply like the friendship. The charge

for advertisement in this column could be 1/-. Also, I think that as your paper has so many readers abroad, it would be an excellent medium for the exchange of picture post cards, foreign readers receiving English ones. If you could manage to have a column for this in your paper, perhaps some of your readers will let you know their views on these subjects, and something could be arranged."

Now there must surely be quite a large number amongst our subscribers who would appreciate such an opportunity to open up lasting friendships with kindred spirits, especially as so few real friendships obtain; less care frequently being taken in the choosing of a friend—who may either make or mar a life—than in the selection of a toy to please the passing fancy of a child. This we think to be very regrettable; so, for the present, we will insert the appeals of subscribers quite free of charge provided they are made in the fewest possible words and have no reference to matrimonial subjects. We hope in this way to test the enthusiasm of our readers. The idea of a post card exchange seems to us delightful.

# Astrology and Astrologers--IV.

By LOUIS. E. JACKSON, Norfolk, Va., U.S.A.

Never dreaming of the futility of stretching their loosely fitted rules first this way then that to meet requirements, modern astrologers persevere in fruitless pursuit of new light along the lines formulated by misled thinkers of the past. Too little attention is paid by them to the known truths of astronomy and too much to the occultics.

Exponents of the disgraced science, in their endeavours to recruit the ranks, advise that the only knowledge of astronomy necessary to an understanding of the study of planetary influence is that smattering of astral lore which deals with the names, order, mass and periods of the primaries of the solar system, together with the essentials of zodiacal relations. Following their suggestion, too many arduous neophytes embrace the faith, soon acquiring that dangerous degree of working knowledge of astrological precept which subscribes to any opinion pronounced by whomsoever may have the authority of superior learning. Much in the manner of parrots acquiring meagre vocabularies of words, whose meaning parrots never will understand to the end of time.

Enthusiasm is the only virtue of these deluded people; sincerity of misapprehension and unconsciousness of their own ignorance their only claims to tolerance. They belong to the clan that would affirm the Moon to be made of green cheese were some popular demagogue to affirm that it is. No sooner having learned the rudiments of astrology, in a degree sufficient to dazzle the still more ignorant by a ready display of familiarity with pompous technicalities, they are in the market with fortune-telling advertisements.

In this age, when every natural law proposed by a student of philosophy must be demonstrable by the practical test of experience unremittantly, or reduced to mathematical illustration, little can be accomplished by the exhortation of faith or imagination. Yet, the *prima facie* demand made on the mental faculties by high-sounding Hindoo or mystic titles is unreasoning faith in philosophical matters. The illiterate may take stock in that sort of appeal to their untutored imagination, but the same will never be the case with minds that have been trained to think and not to submit to arbitrary demagogues.

## Why is Astrology an Unrecognised Science?

The last paragraph contains the terse response demanded by the oft-repeated query from astrological writers, "Why will the bigoted, conceited scientist persist in turning a deaf ear to the appeals to reason which astrology makes to him?" Why will he, indeed! The question is rather why will the exponent of astrology persist in appealing to the wrong side of the scientist's mind? Instead of taking for granted that he believes in the supernatural, and flaunting that red rag in the face of the belligerent bull by mixing with science so much hoary superstition, why do not the able thinkers in

celestial science set about to convert him by a direct appeal to his reasoning faculties, and not to his imaginative?

Therein lies the key to the situation of heterodoxy held by astrology in the realms of recognised science. Since the dawn of the Christian Era not one master mind has been equal to the task of intelligently explaining its principles. Many brilliant thinkers have devoted their lives and incomes to the study of planetary cause and effect, but each and every one fell back upon the superstition of his predecessors when a difficult passage was encountered in the work. Without exception all students have accepted all or part of the silly doctrine of lordships, rulers of house-space in the illimitable voids of heaven, exaltations, detriments, triplicities, absurd elemental properties of the planets, and other now obsolete jargon which always did mean so little if subjected to the fundamental test of physical law principles.

Wonderful minds like Ptolemy, Placidus, Cardan, Regiomontanus, Napier, Kepler, Tycho, Copernicus, born mathematicians and logicians, puzzled their brains with one branch or another of the infinite science; every one of whom, and still others, advanced the cause measurably during the short span vouchsafed him on this sphere. Some were absorbed with the physical side of the question; others were concerned with the mathematical; still others with the comparative, and again with the experimental, and the labour of none was in vain. Though all neglected, or failed signally, if they attempted to demonstrate the truth of astrological influence in a manner agreeable to modern philosophers. Reason? They sought refuge too supinely in the errors of the ancients. Educated in the sciences as they then were, it was their common error to accept precedent established by early and mediæval masters, the chief fault of the latter classes being the acceptance of postulates without proof.

The theories which are untenable to the present day savant were accepted by the learned men of old through an inferential instead of a deductual reasoning. They took too much for granted, failing to reduce meaningless symbolical hypotheses to the barbarous absurdities that they are. In casting about for plausible solutions for the natural phenomena observed in distinctive types of human character, astrologers have always been thus misled by established maxims.

## Superstitious Nomenclature of A.D. One.

We see how students have overlooked the point of chief importance in celestial inquiry by stumbling over the identical errors which nullified the work of former investigators: that of accepting the doctrine of heavenly bodies possessing attributes that belong only to free, active wills. Doubtless, every manjack advanced in the science will take exceptions to this assertion, saying they do no such thing, but rather that the theory of electro-magnetism explains planetary

cause by assuming the vibrations emanating from the planets affect the physical and mental constitutions according to the magnetic state of the subject.

While this theory is more agreeable to reason than any other single hypothesis advanced by modern astrology, the simple fact is, and every man of science scorns to consider the claim of astrology because of this very thing, the whole ground work of astrology rests upon the mistaken and preposterous assumption that anybody can exert an influence over a certain portion of space, while that body is billions of miles distant therefrom, by virtue of assignment to rulership over that portion of the heavens, which was accorded it by sages who undeniably reasoned like untutored savages of the present time.

There's no use discussing that particular side of the question, any more than there is in laying the claims of astrology before astronomical savants to-day. Sooner or later, however, interested man and woman will take up the study from a standpoint as far separated from the antiquated acceptances now

absorbing the astrological student as the poles of the earth. The terminology of the year one, now so dear to the heart of the calculator of nativities, will eventually be eradicated root and branch from the text books that deal with the science. Astrology will then come to its own with descriptive phraseology that knows no symbolism but what moderns have conceived and vote appropriate.

To-day the only relic of former ignorance retained by astronomy is that term, "signs," so objectionable to astronomers because of its important connection with astrology; and in another generation that relic will have no place in astronomy, as it is being cried down now. Just as the exact science has ridden itself of the unfortunate birthright of superstition which manifested itself in objectionable nomenclature, so astrology may hope to gain the hearing it sadly lacks from those who are best fitted, by training and position, to advance the search for truth in celestial cause.

*(To be Continued.)*

## Eyes have Ye and Ye See Not.

By A. R. OSSITER.

I have just had related to me an experience which happened to every member of a family except one, and why the one was the exception you will gain by reading the following:—

Mr. and Mrs. X. had two sons and a daughter. The sons married. The youngest, whom we will call A, wedded the lady of his choice, but one greatly disapproved of by the family, who showed their objection by being very unkind to her. In the course of a few years A's wife died, and on her death-bed all bygones were forgiven and forgotten, and love was showered on her from all.

Not a long time after the father died, and on his death-bed, a few days before the end came, A's wife appeared to him at his bedside, and thus brought to mind his unkindness to her in life. Now this might be put down to remorse and a weak brain before death; but this occurred to brother, brother's wife, sister, and mother, all of whom had been unkind to her.

I think this would convince most people of the existence of a spirit world; more so as the last vision occurred 15 or 20 years after A's wife's death, and the matter quite forgotten.

A is alive and well to-day; in fact, he told me this strange occurrence which happened

to all his family, and yet he is to this day an unbeliever. A has never seen a spirit, and does not believe it possible. But he has a gift which is withheld from the majority, and that is telepathy. He has received telephonic messages from relatives dying and has actually answered them. In this he fully believes, because he has proved it to be true; but with regard to a spirit being able to materialise he is just as big a sceptic as ever, although he does not deny the existence of a spirit world. Now I have a feeling that A before his death will be convinced that not only is it possible for a spirit to materialise, but that they actually do so.

It is the hardest thing possible to convince a person unless you can make them see the materialisation, and even then they think you are tricking them. You cannot blame them, considering what an open field it gives for trickery, and I am sorry to say this field is fully used by many so-called spiritualists, who are nothing more or less than clever tricksters.

A's mother was a widow 24 years, and in that time she declared that his father came and sat by her in the evening advising her in any matters of importance, advice which she always followed with the best results.

# Birthday Influences during May.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A favourable year, some changes, removal, benefits mentally, slight trouble through females and danger of indisposition. A child born on this day will be clever, original, intuitive, and advanced in his mental views, but inclined to be rather rash and impetuous, and not very fortunate.

2. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♄ in ♌, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A quiet year, no very important occurrences. A child born on this day will be quiet, impressionable and artistic, and be fairly successful in life.

3. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♄ in ♌, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. An unfavourable year, some changes, but indisposition, much worry and trouble and unpleasant developments in affairs. A child born on this day will be active, energetic, and enterprising, but health and environment will cause many drawbacks in life, and he will not be very successful or prosperous.

4. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄. A favourable year, social and financial benefits, gain through friends and much pleasure. A child born on this day will be clever at music or art, popular and well esteemed, and will be successful in life.

5. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. An unfavourable year, indisposition, loss of employment, trouble through the opposite sex, and danger of grief and bereavement, also of disputes and accidents. A child born on this day will be rash and impulsive, fond of women and pleasure to his own detriment, often in trouble with employers, though active and enterprising in disposition.

6. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A successful year, some changes, family happiness, marriage or engagement to single women, many pleasant events, but some troubles through letters and young people. A child born on this day will be artistic, musical and popular, very original and intuitive, but at times impulsive and liable to be misled and suffer scandal or ill repute.

7. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. An unfavourable birthday, losses and troubles in money and domestic affairs, many changes and unpleasant experiences. A child born on this day will be erratic, changeable, whimsical and extravagant, and have many troubles through money and the opposite sex.

8. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A changeable year, some gains and successes, changes and improvement in affairs, but danger of indisposition and bereavement. A child born on this day will be rash and impetuous, sceptical, but clever and active, and will gain through elderly people and in employment.

9. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A changeable year, some successes, slight troubles in employment and indisposition, but social and financial benefits. A child born on this day will be rashly inclined, impetuous, often in trouble with employers, but generally successful and popular.

10. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. An unpleasant year, some changes, benefits through employers, but danger of indisposition, disputes and annoyances, but gains through the other sex. A child born on this day will be erratic and abrupt, changeable, original and independent, but successful in employment and with the other sex; will have many drawbacks in life.

11. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A quiet year generally, some little annoyances and troubles, but nothing important. A child born on this day will have a quiet and uneventful life, will be clever and intelligent, and generally successful.

12. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A fairly successful year, some important and far-reaching changes, but trouble in employment, danger of accidents and quarrels, but gain through elderly people. A child born on this day will be clever and original, serious and contemplative, but will suffer through accidents and disputes and in employment.

13. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. An evil and iversary, ill-health, bereavement, danger of accidents and quarrels, financial troubles and domestic worries. A child born on this day will have a troublesome career, suffer much from disputes, accidents, quarrels, and financial worries. It is an evil day for both sexes in regard to marriage.

14. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A fairly successful birthday, gain through friends, and changes, but troubles through letters and young people. A child born on this day will be fairly successful in life, be popular and esteemed, but in danger of scandal and ill repute.

15. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. A changeable year, benefits in employment, improvement of position, financial benefits, but danger of indisposition and bereavement. A child born on this day will be popular and successful in business or employment, a favourite with the opposite sex, but have many troubles and trials to contend against.

16. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♄ in ♏, ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄. An unfavourable year, danger of indisposition and bereavement, many little troubles and trials and losses, but some favourable changes. A child born on this day will be rash and impulsive, tricky and very impressionable, while health and the attitude of others will have much to do with its fate in life.

17. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♈, ☐ ♄. \* ♄, △ ♄, par ♄. A changeable year, some changes and indisposition, but improvement in affairs, new works and undertakings, social and financial gain. A child born on this day will be active, enterprising, popular and successful, but will mar his progress by erratic behaviour and have many little troubles to contend with.

18. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♉, par ♄, ♄ \* ♄. A successful year, social and financial gains, improvement of position, new responsibilities, but some danger of disputes and accidents. A child born on this day will be active, enterprising, popular and generally successful; but will bring troubles upon himself through rash and impulsive conduct.

19. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♊, ☐ ☿, ☐ ♀, △ ♄, ☐ ♄. A successful year, important changes in life and conditions, social and financial benefits, success in work, and marriage to both sexes. A child born on this day will be successful in life, gain through marriage, and be popular and prosperous in business, will suffer slightly through enmity and underhand attacks.

20. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♋, ☐ ♄, par ♀, ♄ ♄. A doubtful year, some little benefits and minor reverses, increase of expenditure, unfavourable changes and some drawbacks. A child born on this day will be erratic and changeable, very restless, and will not make much progress in life.

21. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♌, \* ♄, ☐ ♄, △ ♄. A successful year, changes, travel, mental improvement, improvement in position and many gains and successes. A child born on this day will be active and changeable, reserved and serious, gain in work of an energetic and enterprising nature, and be more or less successful.

22. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, \* ♄, ☐ ♄. A favourable birthday, social and financial gain, success and benefits, some slight danger of disputes and litigation. A child born on this day will be rather rash and impulsive, but gain through employers and be prosperous and successful.

23. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♐, ☐ ♄, ☐ ♄, ♄ ♄. An unfavourable year, many changes, indisposition, unexpected and unforeseen troubles and drawbacks. A child born on this day will be wayward, restless and erratic, always in trouble with employers, and unless careful will come to a bad end.

24. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♑, \* ☐, par ♄, ♄ & ♄. A changeable year, benefits in employ, and success, but changes, unpleasant and unexpected troubles and worries. A child born on this day will be erratic and changeable, restless and impulsive, but will benefit in employment.

25. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♒, \* ♄, △ ♄, par ☐. A favourable birthday, gains and success in employment and through elderly people, many beneficial changes and advancement. A child

born on this day will be clever and intelligent, active, popular, serious and steady, will gain through employment and be successful in life.

26. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♓, \* ♄, ♄ ♄, ☐ ♄. Not a good birthday, sore changes and activity in business, but danger of indisposition, accidents, disputes, and quarrels. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, but hot tempered and very rash; will suffer at the hands of others and be very unfortunate.

27. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♐, ☐ ☐, ☐ ♄, ☐ ♄, par ♄, ☐ ♄, \* ♄. An unfortunate year, losses, heavy expenses, unforeseen and unexpected difficulties and changes, grief and sorrow. A child born on this day will be active, but rash, erratic, extravagant, careless with money, and will have a hard struggle in life to make a headway against the opposing influences.

28. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♌, △ ♄, ☐ ♄, par ♄. A changeable year, some changes and benefits, but indisposition, trouble through letters and correspondence and elderly people. A child born on this day will be clever and original and inventive, very sarcastic and sharp, and will have many difficulties and obstacles to contend against.

29. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, △ ☐. A quiet year, with some business successes, and promotion in employ. A child born on this day will be popular, successful in business and employment, and should gain through superiors and employers.

30. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♐, ☐ ♄, ☐ ♄, ♄ ♄, ☐ ♄. An unfavourable birthday, losses, troubles and annoyances, danger of illness and bereavement. A child born on this day will be energetic, but rash, hasty, erratic and wayward; will have many troubles to contend against, and be handicapped considerably by health and environment.

31. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♑, △ ♄, △ ♄, par ♄. A variable anniversary, indisposition and trouble shown, some great changes, and new works and enterprises, also success in affairs generally. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, active and enterprising, will have indifferent health at times and many drawbacks to contend against.

### A Recipe for Success.

Shut your mind to any fear and doubt and make a firm resolve to achieve success. Breathe deeply upon retiring at night, mentally asserting that you will succeed; that success is yours and the law of nature; failure the unfulfilled law. Also breathe deep with this thought in your mind upon awakening in the morning. Think many times during the day: "I am placing myself in harmony with the success vibrations of the universe, I shall succeed." Try this simple practice with forceful sincerity and you will be surprised at the result.—P.G.

## Correspondence.

### "Dissolution and Destiny."

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY  
MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—My best thanks are due to you for your kind invitation to reply, through your columns, to the gently-worded criticism by your correspondent "I. C." upon certain portions of my article on "Dissolution and Destiny." No one could possibly more highly appreciate the lofty and tender spirit of this criticism than I do; but in simple justice to the critic and myself, I must point out that the former has overlooked the crux of my argument. I do not for a moment decry or deny Scriptural authority *per se*, in placing it beside demonstrated science. On the contrary, I affirm that the genuine Scriptures are at one with our science of to-day. What I do dispute is the accuracy of the translation from the Hebrew. No Hebrew scholar will differ from me in this. In the form in which we know them, large portions of the Scriptures, notably the Book of Daniel, are wholly metaphorical. Take the phrase in Daniel, "*Mene, Mene, Tekel Upharsin*." We are told this means—"Thou art weighed in the balance and found wanting!" As a matter of fact, it means nothing of the kind. A *mina* was a Chaldean coin, so was a *parsin*. The phrase really means, "Two minas make a parsin," as we say, "twelve pence make one shilling."

I hinted in my article at the reasons which had led the Christian Churches to perpetuate these metaphorical phrases. In a few sentences, let me develop that hint into an explanation. When the Scriptures were first translated from the original Hebrew, the Church was the paramount power and authority in the world. Kings, emperors, and potentates throughout Christendom bent the knee to sacerdotal supremacy. The Church not only monopolised the scientific, literary, medical, judicial, and psychological world of the day, but it was actually militant. The early English bishops were "lords of the marches." York Minster and Durham Cathedral were originally more fortress than shrine. Durham to-day betrays features of its origin.

To maintain its supremacy, the Church took good care to infuse all the terrors it could twist out of words into its translation of Holy Writ. The Church and the Church alone is responsible for the farrago of nonsense that has come down to us about "fire and brimstone," "eternal punishment," and the positively humorous reference in "The Westminster Confession" to the respective destinies of "those infants which are elect" and "those which be born of the damned." The Church is no longer supreme anywhere outside the gardens of the Vatican, and in this England of ours it is merely a department of State, without even the powers of the Local Government Board.

But it none the less retains its power to instil terror. There are many persons known to me, well advanced in years, whose sole dread of death arises from implicit faith in the translation of the Scriptures. Many of these unhappy souls have *admitted* to me that "modern thought and discovery have proved the falseness of these old metaphors, but we prefer to cling to the dear old beliefs!" What can you do with a mental (?) attitude such as this?

It was the recognition of the inherent wickedness of perpetuating fraud, even when it was pious fraud, that inspired many of the leading dignitaries and scholars of the Church of England to inaugurate, three years ago, a really active agitation in favour of the Higher Criticism.

And, ere long, the agitation will prevail.

Faithfully yours,

CONSTANTINE.

London, March 26th, 1909.

### Mouldy Coppers.

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY  
MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—Having read with considerable interest your articles on spirit appearances, I take the liberty of sending you the following facts of a case which happened within my own knowledge.

The people of whom I write are named H., and were residing in North London. Wishing to move they took a house which to them seemed suitable. On the day they moved in, Mr. H. saw upon the mantelshelf in the kitchen a small pile of pennies stacked one upon another, all of which were in a very mouldy condition, and laughingly saying "his luck was in," put the coppers in his pocket, and later in the day (Saturday) spent them.

A staircase led from the kitchen to the floor above, and upon the landing upstairs they placed a large water jug full of water for use upstairs. Now this jug of water had not been there more than an hour or so when a noise was heard as of someone evidently knocking against it, and upon looking up the stairs Mr. H. saw a man coming down the stairs dressed in shirt and trousers, with his braces hanging down behind. Mr. H. stood astonished, and stepped upon one side to ask him what he was doing there. As the figure passed him he saw that it was not flesh and blood, and was therefore silent, while the figure disappeared in the fireplace.

He might have thought himself mistaken, but the screaming of his children and his wife's pale face told him only too plainly that it was no imagination. At all times, day and night, did this figure walk downstairs, *never up*.

What makes this so remarkable is the fact that on the Monday following, another little pile of mouldy

coppers were found upon the same shelf and in the same place!

Mrs. H. thought her husband was having a joke with her, and told him so. Mr. H. denied it, and told her that he had spent the first coppers he had found, and named the tradespeople where he had spent them. Mr. H. did not like things at all. What with the continuous coming downstairs of this old man, the finding of two lots of mouldy coppers, and his family all nervous and upset, he came to the

conclusion he had better move again; so he found another house and removed to it, after living only five days where these occurrences took place.

But the story does not end here; for he was dead within two years, his wife bedridden with a running cancer, and his children hawking watercress from door to door,—whether from handling and using the mouldy coppers that the dead miser placed upon the mantelshef or not I must leave your readers to form their own opinion. IGNORAMUS.

## The Mysteries of Numbers--III.

By "NUMERATO."

**I**N our first article on this subject of numbers we gave an illustration of how the number 9 multiplied itself, and the result again multiplied by all the numbers less, down to one, gave as a result the total of the figures which made up 9, or a multiple of that number.

Now if any number, no matter how large, be multiplied by 9 and then the result by 8, and result of that by 7, and so on down to 1, the total of the figures in each result will be 9 or multiples of that number.

It is a remarkable thing, but if any number be multiplied by 9 and then the result by 10, the result of that by 11, and so on continually, the total of the figures in each result will still amount to 9 and its multiples.

Again, what is even more remarkable still, if any number be multiplied by 9 and the product squared, and that product squared, and so on *ad infinitum*, the totals of the figures in each product will always work out to 9.

The same is obtained by multiplying any number by 9, cubing the result, then cubing that result, and so on; the result always works out to 9.

Why is this so? How is it that these results are always obtained? Perhaps it is one of those things which "no fella" can understand.

Now we will take up some further problems with the number 9.

Multiply 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 by 9, and the total of the figures in the product will be nine, and consists of nine one's and one nought.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

9

1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 = 9

Multiply 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 by 9 and the total of the figures in the product will be 81 = 9, and consist of nine 8's and one 9.

9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

9

8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 9 = 81 = 9

Here are two more peculiarities:—

(a)

1 × 9 =	9
12 × 9 =	108 = 9
123 × 9 =	1107 = 9
1234 × 9 =	11106 = 9
12345 × 9 =	111105 = 9
123456 × 9 =	1111104 = 9
1234567 × 9 =	11111103 = 9
12345678 × 9 =	111111102 = 9
123456789 × 9 =	1111111101 = 9

(b)

9 × 9 =	81 ... 9 = 9
98 × 9 =	882 ... 18 = 9
987 × 9 =	8883 ... 27 = 9
9876 × 9 =	88884 ... 36 = 9
98765 × 9 =	888885 ... 45 = 9
987654 × 9 =	8888886 ... 54 = 9
9876543 × 9 =	88888887 ... 63 = 9
98765432 × 9 =	888888888 ... 72 = 9
987654321 × 9 =	888888889 ... 81 = 9

## Transferred Impressions.

**W**E have had brought to our notice an article on "Transferred Impressions and Telepathy" by Mr. Edward Gurney and the late Fred W. M. Myers, which appeared in the *Fortnightly Review*. The article embodies various communications received by the Society for Psychical Research, from which we cull the following:—

"We have received the following account from our friend Mr. John Addington Symonds:—'I was a boy in the sixth form at Harrow, and, as head of Mr. Rendall's house, had a room to myself. It was in the summer of 1858. I woke about dawn, and felt for my books upon a chair between the bed and the window; when I knew that I must turn my head the other way, and there between me and the door stood Dr. Maclean, dressed in a clergyman's black clothes. He bent his sorrowful face a little towards me and said, "I am going a long way—take care of my son." While I was attending to him I suddenly saw the door in the place where Dr. Maclean had been. Dr. Maclean died that night (at what hour I cannot precisely say) at Clifton. My father, who was a great friend of his, was with him. I was not aware that he was more than usually ill. He was a chronic invalid.'"

"Captain G. F. Russell Colt, Gartsherrie, Coatbridge, N.B., allows us to publish the following narrative:—'I was at home for my holidays, and residing with my father and mother, not here, but at another old family place in Midlothian, built by an ancestor in Mary Queen of Scots's time, called Inveresk-house. My bedroom was a curious old room, long and narrow, with a window at one end of the room and a door at the other. My bed was on the right of the window, looking towards the door. I had a very dear brother, my eldest brother Oliver, lieutenant in the 7th Royal Fusiliers. He was about nineteen years old, and had at that time been some months before Sebastopol. I corresponded frequently with him, and once when he wrote in low spirits, not being well, I said in answer that he was to cheer up, but that if anything did happen to him he must let me know by appearing to me in my room, where we had often as boys together sat at night and indulged in a surreptitious pipe and chat. This letter (I found subsequently) he received as he was starting to receive the sacrament from a clergyman who has since related the fact to me. Having done this, he went to the entrenchments, and never returned, as in a few hours afterwards the storming of the Redan commenced. He, on the captain of the company falling, took his place, and led his men bravely on. He had just led them within the walls, though already wounded in several places, when a bullet struck him on the right temple, and he fell amongst heaps of others, where he was found in a sort of kneeling posture, being propped up by other dead bodies, thirty-six hours afterwards. His death took place, or rather he fell, though he may not have died imme-

diately, on the 8th September, 1855. That night I awoke suddenly, and saw facing the window of my room, by my bedside, surrounded by a light sort of phosphorescent mist as it were, my brother kneeling. I tried to speak, but could not. I buried my head in the bedclothes, not at all afraid (because we had all been brought up not to believe in ghosts or apparitions), but simply to collect my ideas, because I had not been thinking or dreaming of him, and indeed had forgotten all about what I had written to him a fortnight before. I decided that it must be fancy, and the moonlight playing on a towel, or something out of place. But on looking up there he was again, looking lovingly, imploringly, and sadly at me. I tried again to speak, but found myself tongue-tied. I could not utter a sound. I sprang out of bed, glanced through the window, and saw that there was no Moon, but it was very dark and raining hard by the sound against the panes. I turned, and still saw poor Oliver. I shut my eyes, walked through it, and reached the door of the room. As I turned the handle before leaving the room, I looked once more back. The apparition turned round his head slowly and again looked anxiously and lovingly at me, and I saw then for the first time a wound on the right temple with a red stream from it. His face was of a waxy pale tint, but transparent-looking, and so was the reddish mark. But it is almost impossible to describe his appearance. I only know I shall never forget it. Both the colonel of the regiment and one or two officers who saw the body confirmed the fact that the appearance was much according to my description, and the death wound was exactly where I had seen it. But none could say whether he actually died at the moment. His appearance, if so, must have been some hours after death, as he appeared to me a few minutes after two in the morning. Months later his small prayer-book and the letter I had written to him were returned to Inveresk, found in the inner breast pocket of the tunic which he wore at his death. I have them now.'"

"Mr. J. G. Keulemans gives us the following account:—'In December, 1880, he was living with his family in Paris. The outbreak of an epidemic of smallpox caused him to remove three of his children, including a favourite little boy of five, to London, whence he received, in the course of the ensuing month, several letters giving an excellent account of their health. "On the 24th of January, 1881, at half-past seven in the morning, I was suddenly awoke by hearing his voice, as I fancied, very near me. I saw a bright, opaque, white mass before my eyes, and in the centre of this light I saw the face of my little darling, his eyes bright, his mouth smiling. The apparition, accompanied by the sound of his voice, was too short and too sudden to be called a dream: it was too clear, too decided, to be called an effect of imagination. So distinctly did I hear his voice that I looked round the room to see whether he was actually there. The sound I heard

was that of extreme delight, such as only a happy child can utter. I thought it was the moment he woke up in London, happy and thinking of me. I said to myself, "Thank God, little Isidore is happy as always." Mr. Keulemans describes the ensuing day as one of peculiar brightness and cheerfulness. He took a long walk with a friend, with whom he dined, and was afterwards playing a game at billiards, when he again saw the apparition of his child. This made him seriously uneasy, and in spite of having received within three days the assurance of the child's perfect health, he expressed to his wife a conviction that he was dead. Next day a letter arrived saying that the child was ill; but the father was convinced that this was only an attempt to break the news; and, in fact, the child had died, after a few hours' illness, at the exact time of the first apparition."

"The Rev. W. S. Grignon, Hambrook, Bristol, writes to us as follows:—"I give the annexed narrative of the apparition of a deceased or dying person on the authority of my mother, the late Mrs. Elizabeth Grignon, wife of the late William Stanford Grignon, of Upton, near Montego Bay, Jamaica, Esq., and youngest sister of the well-known counsel, Sir James Scarlett, afterwards the first Lord Abinger. I received the account from her, and have had it confirmed by my late sister, Miss Elizabeth Scarlett Grignon, who had often heard it from our mother. I may say that my mother was a cool-headed, accurate person. About the year 1820 she was resident at Upton, in Jamaica, and had an upper-nurse in her family, a Mrs. Duchoux, an Englishwoman who had married a Frenchman; with the exception of this nurse, every servant in the house was black or brown. One morning my mother observed that this woman seemed much depressed, so much so that she pressed her for the reason. She said she was sure she should hear of the death of an aunt of hers resident in England. Her statement was as follows:—"She had got into bed, but not yet fallen asleep, and had before this locked the door of her bedroom. A negro girl was sleeping on a mattress on the floor of her room. Near the foot of her bed was a small table on which stood a candle under a shade. Looking up, she saw a female figure in a night-dress, standing with its back towards her at the foot of the bed, near the table with the light on it, and holding a roll of paper in its hand. As she looked, the figure turned its face round towards her, and she at once recognised an aunt then living in England. The figure then moved towards the door, and seemed to pass out of it or disappear." On the arrival of the packet which left England shortly after the date of the apparition a letter reached Mrs. Duchoux informing her that her aunt had died just about the date of the vision, and had in her will left her £100. I cannot say that the time of the apparition coincided exactly with the last moments of the deceased. I doubt if this was inquired into at the time. But I remember that my mother stated that the woman had not previously heard anything to make her anxious about her aunt."

"The following account is given us by Mr. C. Colchester, of Bushey-heath, Herts.:—"Forty-two or three years ago my father was with a detachment

of his regiment, the Royal Artillery, stationed at Montreal, Canada. He had left his mother some months before in England in an indifferent state of health. One evening he was sitting at his desk, writing to her, when my mother, looking up from her work, was startled to see his mother looking over his shoulder, seemingly intent on the letter. My mother gave a cry of alarm, and on my father turning round the apparition vanished. On the same evening I and my brother (aged about six and five years) were in bed, watching the bright moonlight, when suddenly we saw a figure, a lady with her hands folded on her breast, walking slowly, between the bed and the window, backwards and forwards. She wore a cap with a frill tied under her chin, and a dressing-gown of the appearance of white flannel, her white hair being neatly arranged. She continued to walk, it seemed to me, fully five minutes, and then was gone. We did not cry out, and were not even alarmed, but after her disappearance we said to each other, 'What a nice, kind lady!' and then went to sleep." The children mentioned what they had seen to their mother next morning, but were told not to talk about it. The news of their grandmother's death on that same evening arrived a few weeks afterwards. "I may add," Mr. Colchester concludes, "that neither I nor my brother had ever seen our grandmother till that evening, nor knew of what my mother had seen till years after. The apparition I saw is ~~is~~ palpably before me now as it was forty years since."

The following is a sample of another class of cases, of which there are several examples. It is contributed by Mrs. Gates, Montpellier-road, Brighton, who is personally known to the writers:—"One August morning at breakfast the well-known feeling stole over me. Waiting till all had left the table excepting my second daughter, I remarked to her, 'I am feeling so restless about one of our absent boys! It is—; and I feel as if I was looking at blood!'" The son in question, in a letter received a few days later, inquired of Mrs. Gates as follows:—"Write in your next if you had any presentiments during last week. We were going to— canal, fishing, and I got up at the first sound of the bell, and, taking my razor to shave, began to sharpen it on my hand, and being, I suppose, only half awake, failed to turn the razor, and cut a piece clean out of my left hand. An artery was cut in two places, and bled dreadfully." Further details are given which show that the pain and bleeding were probably at their maximum at the hour of Mrs. Gates's breakfast that same morning.

### Love Goodness.

Love goodness for itself alone;  
And not from fear of punishment for sin.  
Each kindly act or gentle word of yours.  
An answering echo from the world will win.

As we forgive so shall we be forgiven.  
Softened thy heart to those who do thee wrong.  
Returning only good, revenge forgetting,  
And peace will fill thee with her glorious song.

ANGELA HOPE.

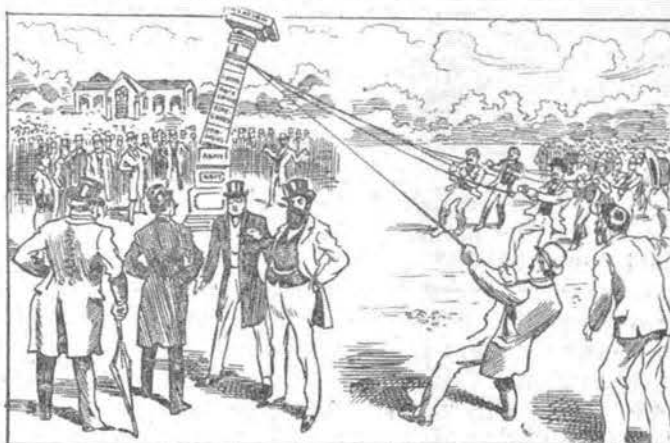
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JUNE, 1909.

## The New Moon.

The lunation of the 19th May occurs in the ninth in square to Mars, denoting much disturbance in religious, colonial, legal, and also in naval and military circles. Fires and explosions are denoted in the navy and arsenals. The public health will be disturbed, blood disorders, diphtheria and epidemic sickness prevalent. Some danger is also to be apprehended by an outbreak of infectious disease in Russia. Hospitals and institutions will benefit, though there will be much expenditure therein, while the same applies to the national Exchequer, where public money will be wasted. The Sun ruling the eleventh and much afflicted, points to disturbance in the Commons, angry disputes, heated arguments, and danger of defeat of the Government. Honours to men of science, new literary ventures, and increase of trade in London are shown. Many deaths among aged people, scandals in high life and among the Smart Set, a more peaceful state of affairs in foreign matters, and some important marriages. Saturn culminates in Eastern Canada, Venezuela, and in South America, a warning to the ruling powers in those countries. Earthquake shocks are probable in 115 E. where Saturn will be on the nadir, also in 28 E. and 66 E., and in places ruled by the signs Taurus and Aquarius, where fires will also be prevalent.

## Total Eclipse of the Moon.

The full Moon of June 4th is a total eclipse, visible in this country. It falls on the cusp of the ninth in the sign Saggittarius, and will stir up religious troubles, legal, colonial and shipping disputes, and conflict between Church and State. Railway accidents are threatened and depreciation of stocks and shares. Saturn rising at the moment of full Moon points to much depression in the land, and being in square to Uranus, is evil for the Government, and there will be some danger of defeat. It is evil for Royalty and high life. Mars in the twelfth shows much crime and incendiarism, and being in opposition to Jupiter, is indicative of much fluctuation on the Stock Exchange, great expenditure of money on naval and military matters. Earthquake shocks are threatened in about 84 W. Long. In Merv, Herat and Central Asia, Mars will culminate, pointing to serious troubles in these parts. Affairs in Turkey will be far from satisfactory. Storms are threatened in the Atlantic.

## Annular Eclipse of Sun, June 17th.

The new Moon of the 17th June is an annular eclipse of the Sun, but not visible in this country. It falls in the fourth house, and will considerably strengthen the hands of the Opposition and place the Government

in a tight position. The rising position of Mars shows much excitement in the land, danger of riots and incendiarism, while Jupiter in the seventh in opposition thereto is ominous of disputes and warfare. Exchange returns will improve, but fraud on the revenue is shown. The position of Mercury and the luminaries is not good for landed interests, and will strengthen the hands of the opposition party in Parliament. Venus conjoined with Neptune is evil for women and children, and much immorality and crime against them will be shown. The public health will suffer. Jupiter in the seventh afflicted will probably bring the Turkish question very strongly before the world, and disturbances and danger of warfare will be shown. A naval demonstration is very probable. Mars ruling the eighth house denotes many sudden and terrible deaths. The affliction of the ruler of the tenth is bad for Royalty and the Government, and much political excitement is shown. There will be much trouble in Parliamentary circles, dissensions and party splits.

### **United States.**

At New York the eclipse falls in the seventh house, which is unfavourable for the States, showing danger of disputes with other powers. Railways will suffer and accidents thereon, and also in coasting vessels are shown. The revenue will be deficient. At San Francisco, Scorpio rises and Saturn is in the sixth, and the eclipse falls in the eighth house, denoting much mortality and many sudden deaths.

### **India.**

At Calcutta, the eclipse falls on the ascendant, denoting much unrest among the people, but as Mars is exactly culminating, grave troubles are to be apprehended. The Viceroy is warned to safeguard his person, and to be on guard against a native rising. Religious disturbances are to be feared.

### **Europe.**

At Petersburg and Constantinople, Uranus will culminate in square to Saturn,

denoting much trouble to the ruling powers, while the position of Mars shows much crime and bloodshed. At Berlin, Saturn rises, which shows discontent and unsettlement in the land, and with Uranus in the eleventh troubles in the Reichstag.

### **General Predictions.**

This eclipse is evil for London, Belgium, India and Turkey, and many troubles will occur in these places. Portugal will also suffer. The United States and West of England will have many trials.

### **Special Predictions.**

Earthquake shocks are threatened in about 8 E. Long. This will affect the Riviera and north-west Italy. Saturn culminates in 122 E. Long., showing grave troubles in the Far East. In 58 W. Saturn will be on the nadir, denoting a severe earthquake in that locality. This falls close to the West Indies, British Guiana, and Buenos Ayres. Mars is on the nadir in 82 W., this passing through the eastern states of America, Florida, Cuba, Havana and Panama. It also falls close to the west coasts of Ecuador and Peru. This eclipse is said to denote the death of some king, in the country which is ruled by the sign in which the eclipse falls.

### **Stock Exchange.**

Our readers, it is hoped, took advantage of our advice as to Brewery Shares, also the South African mines market. Several have written to the Editor for special advice, but he does not desire to enlarge in this direction. The advice is the very best he can give, and all he asks of those that have had splendid results is to send say 5/- or 10/-, with addresses of acquaintances, that sample copies can be sent to them costing 3d. each. In June Brewery Shares will continue to rise steadily—much profit can be shown in October if bought now. Iron and coal stocks should be left alone or sold now while in favour. Cotton and mills will be dull. A good market still for sound investment is the Foreign Bond Market, particularly Brazilian West Minas

5 per cent. bonds, Brazil 1907 5 per cent. bonds, and Uruguayan 1896 5 per cent., and Conversion Loan 1905 5 per cent. The two latter pay quarterly dividends promptly and offer a useful income bond. Salvador 6 per cent. bonds are cheap for a slight risk in speculation. We ask all who write to the Editor to send 2/6 at least to help the sending of free samples all over the country. We need a large circulation to cover expenses of financial research.

### Special Forecast for Kingstown, Jamaica.

The Sun enters the sign Cancer at Kingstown, Jamaica, on June 21st, just before nine in the evening, when the sign Aquarius will be rising. The lunation takes place close to the cusp of the sixth house, with Venus and Neptune conjoined therein, an influence which is not very favourable for the public health, stomach troubles being prevalent, especially among females. The position of Mars in the second house is not favourable for the revenue, and denotes much expenditure, while Mercury being in the fifth house in square to Mars, shows much theft and fraud in the Island Exchequer. Saturn in the third is bad for the railways, and some accidents are threatened thereon. Children and the theatrical profession will suffer. The Moon in the seventh points to some notable marriages. Shipping affairs will be in an involved state. The affliction of Mars, ruler of the midheaven, is ominous for the Governor of the Island, who will suffer discredit and loss of prestige.

Jupiter in the sign Virgo will benefit the West Indies generally, this sign being the ruling sign of the Islands.

### Answers to Correspondents.

DENER.—We hope as soon as space permits, to give a series of simple articles explaining how horoscopes should be judged. It is a matter much in need of explanation.

J. W.—We are not surprised at what you tell us. You have apparently been swindled by American imposters, whose astrology is about akin to their sense of honesty. You are advised not to waste your money on any American astrologer who advertises in this country, as their horoscopes are only a collection of printed sheets and absolutely useless and unreliable.

## Almanack Predictions

FOR JUNE, 1909.

### Raphael.

Heavy troubles in shipping, fires and accidents on men of war. A violent storm. Religious disputes are threatened, colonial affairs disordered. Exchequer returns above the average, but waste of public money. Railways suffer, and accidents thereon. Public health bad, blood poisoning and diphtheria prevalent. Foreign affairs more settled, and marriages of note occur. Much mortality among the aged. Honours to men of science and new discoveries. Scandal in high places. Tumultuous and heated debates in the Commons. Benefits to workhouses and institutions.

### Zadkiel.

The unique phenomena during the month bodes ill for the United States, Mexico, Japan, China, India, Turkey and Belgium. The authorities in India are warned against a sudden fanatical outbreak against Europeans. The serenity of America and the Far East will be disturbed. Ruler of Belgium under a cloud. A certain royal duke who has Uranus in Cancer is warned of accidents and fevers. Heavy rains in England and France. A cabinet minister or public functionary in London, and another in Paris will incur public odium and may resign. Trouble and excitement in Portugal about 27th.

### Orion.

Weather favourable and vegetation abundant. Peace and prosperity and more work for unemployed. Hospitals and institutions benefit. Public writers are successful, and the fine arts receive increased patronage. Unfavourable for women and children, unhappy marriages, and bad cases of cruelty and desertion. Excitement in London, Belgium and United States. Debates in Parliament very exciting. Death lays his un-

sparing hand on some prominent members of society. Royalty is likely to suffer. Strikes, riots in Spain, Portugal and Austria.

### Old Moore.

Disasters to warships and arsenals. Rival philanthropy will quarrel over booty. A blood disorder imported from abroad will keep doctors busy. A popular literary production will pass away. New hospital ideas on business lines will come forward. Earthquakes probably in Persia. Shipping disaster near Sydney. Tube accidents in New York. Fires in Bristol. Pestilence in the East of Europe. Two London elections.

### Francis Moore.

Shipping disasters, religious disputes, colonial squabbles, and mortality from blood disorders. Revenue good, but expenditure high. Railways and postal service suffer, accident on former. Mortality among the aged. Literary and publishing enterprise, and honour to literary and scientific men. Foreign affairs benefit and also hospitals. Evil for King and Government. Russia suffers. Earthquakes in Turkestan. Sydney and Brisbane suffer.

## Astronomical Phenomena

FOR JUNE, 1909.

### Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	4th	...	1h. 25m. morn.
Last Quarter,	11th	...	2h. 43m. morn.
New Moon,	17th	...	11h. 28m. aft.
First Quarter,	25th	...	6h. 43m. aft.

### Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Gemini; enters Cancer on 22nd at 2.6 in the morning.
- ♿. MERCURY is in Gemini, an evening star at beginning of month, retrogrades from the 3rd to 27th, in inferior conjunction with the Sun on 14th, conjunction with Venus on 7th, and a morning star at end of month.

♀. VENUS is an evening star in Gemini; enters Cancer on 10th. in conjunction with ♄ on 23rd.

♂. MARS is a morning star in Pisces; its daily motion is getting slower.

♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Virgo, souths just before midnight.

♄. SATURN is a morning star in Aries.

♅. URANUS is in Capricorn all the month.

♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer all the month.

♁. The following table gives the Moon's position on each day at noon.

12, 13	Aries	25, 26, 27	Libra
14, 15	Taurus	1, 2, 28, 29	Scorpio
16, 17	Gemini	3, 4, 30	Sagittarius
18, 19, 20	Cancer	5, 6, 7	Capricorn
21, 22	Leo	8, 9	Aquarius
23, 24	Virgo	10, 11	Pisces

### The Weather.

The month opens with changeable weather, stormy about 5th, rainy and variable to 11th; fall in temperature 12th, high winds 14th. The latter half of month is likely to be unsettled, rain and wind about 23rd and 26th; an unpleasant month generally.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

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## CHAPTER VIII.

### HAPPINESS.

We have now come to the third and last subject of our articles, and in dealing with the subject of Happiness, I intend to take it from the standpoint of conjugality, in other words, the happiness which comes to each one of us through our relations with our fellows.

All matters relating to happiness are judged from the third, seventh and eleventh houses, known by the distinctive title of the Relative Trigon, the triplicity of relationship. The third house represents the idea of consanguinity, true blood relationship, as shown by this house representing brethren, brothers and sisters. The seventh house represents conjugality, the marriage relationship, and the eleventh house refers to conanimity or conviviality, the ties of friendship.

To quote from the MS. of a work in preparation:—"The third triplicity comprises the seventh, eleventh and third houses. It is connected with the period of manhood and signifies the natural relations of marriage, kinship and friendship, or the threefold tie of body, blood and friendship. First comes the ties of the body, marriage, which is relegated to the seventh house. Next, consanguinity, the tie of blood which constitutes brethren and kindred, belonging to the third house. Lastly, that tie of simple benevolence or favour, friendship, which comes under the rule of the eleventh house." We will deal with the third house first, and note the influence of the planets therein.

The Sun in the third house gives honourable relations, success and gain through them, and raises the native in life through their help and power. If much afflicted it makes the native domineer over his kindred, and causes much unpleasantness in family life.

The Moon in the third house makes the

life very much affected by relatives and kindred, in fact the fate seems largely concerned with them and due more or less to the part they play in the native's life. If much afflicted the native is a busybody, too fond of meddling in the affairs of his kindred.

Mercury in the third house makes the mind much concerned with the affairs of relatives, and the native has probably some interest or concern therein. If afflicted it shows that the native will suffer deceit at the hands of his kindred.

Venus in the third house shows much sympathy between brethren, much harmony of thought and feeling. It brings much gain and pleasure through relatives, and they will live with and help each other in a peaceful and harmonious way.

Mars in the third points to much disputation between religions, quarrelling, wrangling and disputes. It brings many troubles to the native at the hands of relations, and more so if afflicted or badly placed.

Jupiter in the third promises much success through relations, and gives a sincere and benevolent feeling to all whom the native recognises as his brethren. "All men are brothers" is the motto of the person with Jupiter in the third. It will bring much gain and benefit through kindred.

Saturn in the third shows much coldness between relations, makes the native very unfeeling towards his brethren, is very evil for dealings with them and brings much trouble and many hindrances and limitations through their action. Those with this position are often pushed on one side to allow another of the family to take a better chance of success.

Uranus in the third brings separations and estrangements from brethren and relations, disputes and quarrels with them, but if the native has developed internally it gives altruistic ideals in regard to relations and kindred.

Neptune in the third shows much treachery and secret enmity through relations, underhand dealings with them, and the native suffers through their plots and schemes against him.

(To be Continued.)

## The Revolution in Turkey.

The recent revolution in Turkey, coupled with the deposition of the Sultan, has no doubt raised the question in the minds of our readers as to our failure to predict the matter. As a matter of fact, however, the actual occurrence has already been predicted in more ways than one. First of all, the solar eclipse of December 23rd foreshadowed the transmigration of some king, and the rebellion of nobles and common people, and this has certainly been fulfilled to the letter, though not in the countries we named. It is our belief, however, that Turkey is more under the influence of Capricorn than Virgo, and this would account for the effects falling in that country.

In addition to this we gave in the June 1908 issue of the MESSENGER the horoscope of the Sultan of Turkey, and in it we expressly stated the dangers of April, 1909, in the following words: "... the only evil indications shown are in the spring of next year when the Moon is conjoined with the progressed Mars, square to Jupiter and Saturn."

It will be interesting to note the following additional points in this horoscope. The progressed meridian for 1909 is  $\square 24^\circ$ , and on March 26th the planets Mars and Uranus were conjoined within  $4^\circ$  from this point, a sure sign of some disaster. During the middle of April Mars transited the radical ascendant, and Uranus became stationary within  $3^\circ$  of the progressed midheaven, all portends of disaster.

The directions from the horoscope were as follows:

Post-natal.  $\delta$  P  $\square$   $\frac{1}{2}$  P.  $\delta$  P  $\square$   $\frac{1}{4}$  R,  $\textcircled{P}$   $\delta$   $\delta$  P,  $\square$   $\frac{1}{2}$  P,  $\square$   $\frac{1}{4}$  R,  $\textcircled{P}$   $\textcircled{P}$   $\delta$  R.

Pre-natal.  $\textcircled{P}$  midway between  $\square$   $\textcircled{P}$  R, and  $\square$   $\delta$  R,  $\textcircled{P}$   $\delta$  R.

The  $\delta$  of  $\delta$  and  $\textcircled{P}$  took place close to the mid-way point.

We have not had time to calculate the primary directions operating, but we should judge that the chief ones are  $\textcircled{P}$   $\delta$   $\frac{1}{2}$  con. and Asc.  $\textcircled{P}$  dir.

It is also to be noted in our favour, that our opinion in regard to the oft-predicted dissolution of the Turkish Empire and death of the Sultan has been verified, for the deposition of the Sultan has not caused the first event, and as far as we know the fallen potentate has not yet succumbed to the hand of fate.

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### WHEN MISCHIEVOUS.

Nevertheless, incessant recourse to Horary Astrology is not to be recommended; and this on two grounds. First and foremost, it is to be strongly deprecated on—in the highest sense of the word—moral grounds, inasmuch as it weakens the judgment and gradually deprives those who lean on it of all independence and self-reliance. Secondly, and from a more practical standpoint, because, unless pursued in conjunction with Natal Astrology, it is apt to lead to erroneous judgments. Thus, a Horary Figure fortunate and good in itself will yet promise less of success to one who is himself "under bad aspects" at the time; while on the other hand an unfavourable map will not eventuate in such disaster as might be supposed, if the querent is possessed himself of a very fortunate nativity. For the horoscopic chart is merely an indication of principles in force, and indicates *relative* good or evil. Hence, as will be easily seen, from a study of the horoscope of birth—which is a perfect key to the main events of life—a far more reliable judgment can be formed than from any 'horary figure,' cast for the time of a question or the occurrence of an idea, notwithstanding that the latter may at times afford a very useful clue in reference to any dubious point.

### WHEN USEFUL.

Still, in spite of the above considerations, there are sometimes occasions when this mode of divination is extremely serviceable, especially when the horoscope of birth or "nativity" is not available; e.g., in ascertaining the whereabouts of a missing child or relative, the possibility of recovering stolen goods, etc., etc.

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# Horoscope of Princess Juliana of Orange.

**T**HE Princess Juliana of Orange was born at the Hague, Holland, at 6.50 a.m. on April 30th, 1909. As Holland keeps Greenwich time, the correct local time must be computed to erect the horoscope.

We have corrected the birth time by the Pre-natal Epoch, and find that it was very carefully observed, the actual moment being 6h. 52m. 44s. a.m., or local time, 7h 10m. 4s., and the figure given is for the rectified time. The last degree of Gemini rises, and the Sun is placed in Taurus in conjunction with Venus, trine Jupiter, but applying to the square of Mars. The Moon also has the conjunction of Jupiter and the trine of the Sun and Venus. The constitution and stamina are good, and with the exception of feverish affections of the

throat and blood, there is little to be feared. The most dangerous years are the 4th, 5th, 12th and 13th, when this square of the Sun and Mars will be strongly in evidence. Diphtheria and throat troubles are the chief dangers.

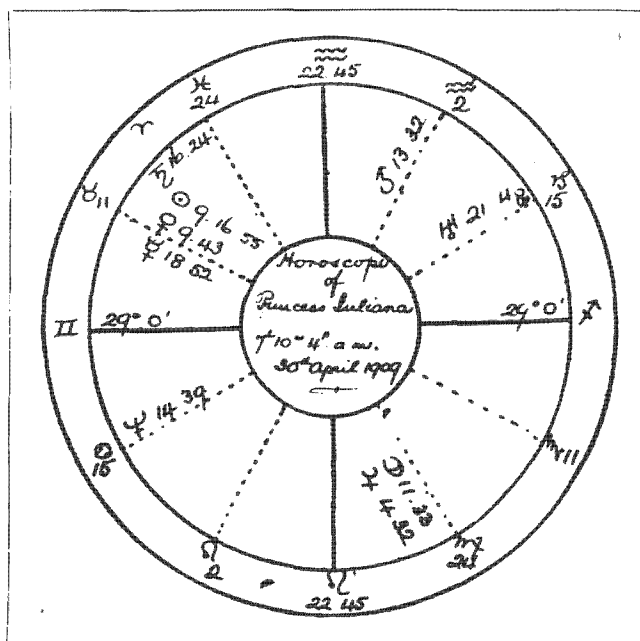
In disposition the Princess will be kind and affectionate, warm-hearted, sympathetic and devout, but inclined to be stubborn and fond of her own way. She will be practical and matter of fact, looking more at the con-

crete side of things than the artistic or inspirational, as there are no less than six planets in earthy signs. The personality will be much moulded by home life and family ties, and in the affairs of life she will be very prudent and economical, discriminative and intelligent.

The mental gifts are of a high order, for although Mercury is somewhat badly placed in the twelfth house it has the trine of both

the Moon and Uranus, and these give good abilities, intuition, and inclination of science, music, and art, while skill in the higher branches of learning is also shown. Elegance, neatness, refinement, love of ease and pleasure, singing, dancing and refined arts are also marked traits of this mentality. She will be especially attached to her mother, in fact the mater-

nal influence and home life have a marked effect in moulding the character and disposition. As regards marriage, it is likely that she will marry more than once, for the Sun applies first to Venus, and then to the Moon, while the ruler of the seventh occupies a dual sign. Marriage is shown early in life, probably at 24. On the whole the horoscope is good, and promises a successful career, and a fairly long life. The most unfortunate years are the 19th, 26th, 33rd, and 44th.



## How to Find Time of Birth from Past Events

### I.—EXPLANATIONS.

**S**EVERAL times of late we have received communications asking whether there are any rules given for the calculation of birth times from past events, and on our informing the writers in the negative we have been asked to utilise a portion of our space for this important and—up to the present—much neglected subject. We are, therefore, acceding to these requests in this and the two succeeding numbers of the MESSENGER.

Now first of all it is necessary to make several explanations, and to clear away a number of erroneous and mistaken notions which have arisen in regard to our subject.

First of all, it is perfectly possible, and often with comparative ease and expenditure of time, to calculate the birth time from past events. The best events for this purpose are the deaths of parents, marriage, or any serious illness or accident, but in my practice in this matter, I find the deaths of parents and marriage are quite sufficient.

Secondly, the method used in finding the birth time is solely that of the much abused and still more misunderstood theory of the pre-natal epoch, which by the way, is not now a theory, but an undisputable and unchallenged fact. About a year ago, our contributor "Astrolabus," wrote an article on the subject of "rectification," but unfortunately confused the point at issue, and later on challenged a statement made by me that the pre-natal epoch was the only reliable method of rectification, in which the same confusion of thought was shown.

Now first of all I want to point out that rectification of a horoscope is quite a separate and distinct thing from calculating a horoscope from past events. If there is no birth time, there is no horoscope, and therefore it is impossible to rectify what is non-existent. It is in this particular point that our friend made such an error, and it unfortunately upset the whole of his arguments against the pre-natal epoch, although he actually bore

out what had already been conceded as one of the practical uses of that theory, viz., the only reliable method of rectification.

Whenever, however, he made the astonishing statement that when the birth time was totally unknown, he *absolutely* and *flatly* denied that the pre-natal epoch would of *itself* furnish the correct birth time or any birth time at all, he made a statement which it is my intention to *absolutely* and *flatly* contradict by actual verifiable facts.

To begin with I want my readers to bear in mind the following points.

1. That the figure for the time of the pre-natal epoch is treated in just the same way as an ordinary horoscope, and directions are taken from it in exactly the same way, allowing, of course, for the nine months or so difference in time from epoch to birth.

2. That it is impossible to calculate a birth time from the date of birth by merely relying on lunar directions, and minor events of life. The chief events of life are shown by the solar directions, which operate over a period of two to five years, and unless the lunar directions *coincide* with them *in nature*, they (the lunar directions) are useless in determining the birth time, as many of them, both good and evil, pass by without any appreciable effect.

3. That directions of the meridian and ascendant by the theory of the progressed horoscope must be used in addition to the ordinary solar directions, as the three events usually taken are in nine cases out of ten shown by the directions of these two significators.

4. The uselessness of taking ordinary lunar directions is again evident when the fact is made known, that the major events in the lives of a large percentage of people are *not* shown by the ordinary secondary directions, but by what are known as pre-natal directions, that is, each 24 hours *before* birth being counted as one day, in contradistinction to the ordinary method which counts each 24 hours *after* birth. This is a point which is shame-

fully neglected by astrologers. I am not in any way transgressing when I say that a large proportion of the events in the lives of 75 per cent. of people are shown by this pre-natal method, and it is entirely through the neglect of this factor that directing is such an unsatisfactory and perplexing subject.

5. That the events of life are also shown by directions from the pre-natal epoch, and the day of the epoch is determined by means of these events, as afterwards to be shown.

6. Once the day of the epoch has been ascertained, and such day must be one in accordance with the rules, the place of the Moon on that day yields an estimated ascendant or descendant for the horoscope of birth, which can be varied about 7 deg. on either side.

7. Directions to the angles of this estimated figure can then be made to accord with events, and any necessary alteration of the meridian made, after which the *true* process of rectification according to the rules of the epoch is then to be applied, and the result will be the correct horoscope.

In the next issue I will give an illustration in full of this remarkable problem. My experience in this particular branch of the subject has been unique and considerable, and I am prepared to say that there is not a single case in which it is not possible to obtain the correct birth moment by the rules laid down. I have been put to the test in a large number of cases, having nothing but the date and place of birth and a few past events, and in each case I have never failed to find the exact birth time.

Of course, it must be plainly understood that the rules I have laid down are only general, and merely show the outline to be followed, but they will be explained in the example in detail.

In conclusion to this chapter, I want my readers to carefully study the following table of sex degrees which enters largely into the calculations. The figures M and F refer to the sex, male and female.

Degree.	Sign.	Sex.	Sign.	Sex.	Sign.	Sex.	Sign.	Sex.
0.0	♈	F	♈	F	♈	F	♈	F
12.51	♈	M	♈	F	♈	F	♈	M
25.43	♈	F	♈	F	♈	F	♈	M
8.34	♈	F	♈	M	♈	M	♈	F
21.26	♈	M	♈	M	♈	F	♈	F
4.17	♈	M	♈	F	♈	F	♈	M
17.9	♈	F	♈	F	♈	F	♈	M

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## Correspondence.

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—Feeling that many in our circle of MESSENGER readers are looking for soul light, its mystery and powers, yet not knowing how to find the God within the Temple. I feel impelled to show a way that all those who give serious thought can find what nations have been seeking for ages—the true Adonia, God within Man (Soul). For man has not a soul, but he is a soul. The Christ taught that men were (Gods) that the God of Heaven was within us. He taught men to control, know, and study themselves. To carry out this you must look into yourselves each night, call up all your deeds during the day, and see if the balance lays on the good or evil side of your nature. Look at doubtful actions, from another's point of view, then instal the good in your nature and drive away the bad. Let thoughts of love to all men shine out from yourself. Be careful what you think, allow only thoughts of health, purity and success in your mind, drive out fear, worry and disease. Have a broad mind, condemn nothing, think well, speak well, do well, and last, but not least, look within for knowledge rather than without.

P. G.

## The Canal Ranger.

By W. H. EDWARDES.

**I**N a previous article I have claimed that a necessity exists amongst mortals for the demonstration of psychic powers, or, as the medical school with their love for coining fresh terms for old sayings, prefer now to term it, super-normal powers. Supernatural will not do now as it used to, in alluding to psychic or spiritual, because everything is natural; and we have but to discover the laws and classification which places them in the category of super-normal or psychic.

During my early days of spirit-healing, and by that term I mean an illumination of mind in regard to dealing with disease, in addition to an overwhelming power which possessed me when treating a patient, and which left me at the conclusion of the treatment, I experienced some very striking instances of providential help by which I was used as the medium for the purpose.

One night a neighbour who knew of my peculiar power called, and, finding me at home shortly unfolded the object of his visit. It transpired a cousin of his, the district Canal Ranger of the Grand Surrey Canal had been obliged to throw up work for the past three months owing to acute and prolonged pains in the head, which rendered all his efforts to concentrate his mind on business a hopeless failure.

The usual round of the London specialists in brain disorder began with the sole result of depleting his bank account. Recommendations to consult a celebrity in Dresden, ended in his visiting Germany to discover the same recommendation as the English doctors had given, viz., to take phosphorus and rest from work while taking curative sea voyages. The complete irony of such advice will readily be understood by such of my readers as happen to have to work to sustain the domestic hearth. However, as the German specialist only charged £10 10s. for the advice, our friend returned home to

England feeling quite sure he had tried everything, only to find there was no cure for him. In the meantime his official affairs were getting dreadfully behind; and it was imperative, that unless he could return to his duties, his resignation must be sent in. At this stage he consulted his cousin, confiding to him the facts as herein set down. Knowing of some cures I had made at Kennington Oval with some of its permanent professionals, particularly the cases of George Lohmann, Wood the wicket keeper, and Lockwood (which had caused at the time considerable sensation owing to their immediate effect, after the official doctor and specialists called in had vetoed these players from playing), he called on me as the last chance and explained the case. I agreed to accompany him at once to his cousin's house, and was introduced as the friend spoken of who might be able to overcome the trouble in the head.

The Canal Ranger sat down in the chair while I by lightly passing my hands over his head began to search for the cause of the trouble. In the meantime he began to recount his experiences amongst the medical experts, and concluded by saying, the strangest thing of all is, "None of them can tell me what causes it." By this time I had found the lesion which caused a burning sensation on my hand, and began at once to draw off the inflammation by passes. As soon as this was accomplished, I infused an influx of cooling magnetism for the purpose of healing the lesion, which was ultimately quite cured.

However, to get back to the remark that "No one could tell him the cause of it." As soon as he uttered it, I heard a spirit-voice say distinctly, "Sunstroke," which I at once ejaculated. This was at once denied by his saying, "I have had no sunstroke that I know of." Again the spirit-voice said, "Twenty years ago," which I mechanically repeated.

After a few seconds reflection, he jumped from his chair, saying with the most profound astonishment, "My God! of course I did, and a bad one too; I had completely forgotten it! How in the name of heaven did you know that?" I simply stated I heard a spirit tell me, which profoundly impressed both of my companions. By the end of the treatment I had got my patient quite cool and tranquil in regard to his head. As he expressed it, "It felt as though you were pouring cold water right through my brain, and was delightfully soothing." I have no doubt whatever that a spiritual essence of that nature was brought to me, and through the agency of my hands, poured upon his burning brain.

At the conclusion of the treatment, he made the following confession. "I have sent my wife and family to Margate to-day, and promised to come down to them to-morrow (Saturday). As I said good bye to them, I thought I was saying it for the last time, as I fully intended to shoot myself to-night and sent them away so that they should not be here when I did it."

We were, of course, affected by his relation of his despair, and greatly comforted by his assurance of all that idea being entirely at an end. For two years after I was in constant communication with him, and have always felt here was another of the many demonstrated interventions of providence, and was grateful that I had been used to such purpose.

## Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

JUNE, 1909.

1	10 m 25	A good day for business and new work before 12. Avoid quarrels in the afternoon, attend entertainments and pleasure in evening.
2	22 53	Travel, remove and make changes in the morning.
3	5 f 35	An evil day. Act discreetly and avoid quarrels.
4	18 32	An evil day for business and changes. Deal with elderly people but avoid women.
5	1 w 44	Act discreetly in the a.m., attend to business and financial matters in the p.m.
6	15 10	Sunday. An evil day for all purposes. Safeguard health.
7	28 50	A good day for social intercourse, pleasure and marriage.
8	12 w 41	A doubtful day; act discreetly. Deal with superiors after 6 p.m.
9	26 41	A successful day for travel, business, correspondence, dealings with elderly people and the opposite sex.
10	10 x 49	An evil day. Avoid accidents, disputes, speculations and all financial transactions.
11	25 3	An evil day for all purposes.
12	9 v 19	A doubtful day.
13	23 35	Sunday. Not a good day. Study and improve the mind.
14	7 x 48	A doubtful day. Attend to business, but avoid financial matters, accidents and disputes. Attend to new works and enterprises.
15	21 55	A good day for travel and changes.
16	5 n 52	A doubtful day. Act discreetly.
17	19 36	A good day for business, correspondence and important affairs.
18	3 w 5	Another good day for business and social matters.
19	16 17	Attend to business and important matters before 10 a.m. Very evil for all things after that time.
20	29 12	Sunday. A good day for visiting friends.
21	11 s 49	An unimportant day.
22	24 10	A good day for correspondence, travel and changes, also for dealing with elderly people.
23	6 m 19	An unpleasant day till 4 p.m. Then good for social and important matters.
24	18 18	A doubtful day. Attend to financial matters, but avoid disputes and safeguard health.
25	0 a 12	An evil day. Act discreetly.
26	12 6	An unpleasant day. Avoid women.
27	21 3	Sunday. A very evil day for all purposes. Do not travel, safeguard health and person.
28	6 m 9	Act discreetly in all things up to 11 a.m. Then attend to important matters, deal with superiors and ask favours.
29	18 27	A successful day for new work, travel, changes and important matters.
30	1 f 2	A doubtful day. Attend only to ordinary duties.

## Horoscopes of Notable Men.

Mr. McINTOSH, The Great Healer.

IN dealing with the horoscope of this remarkable healer, I wish, in the first place, to call the attention of the readers of this magazine to the points of similarity and dissimilarity in this horoscope with that of the fasting man's I dealt with in the May number. A glance at the horoscopes of M. Beauté and Mr. McIntosh, will at once suffice to show those points. It will be seen that the satellitum of planets in the former is in the 10th house, while in the latter it is in the 4th house. Now this makes all the difference in the world, for the elevated satellitum of M. Beauté's will cause him to shine in the public eye from a high pedestal, while that of Mr. McIntosh's will make him

content to plod gamely along in the obscurity of the domestic sphere (satellitum in the 4th), achieving his ends by his indomitable will and his great storehouse of magnetic power (☉ app. ♂, ♀ in ♄), which in the case of M. Beauté was consumed to make up for the loss of flesh in his long fasts. The greatest physical mediums the world has known, have had in their horoscope the influence of Taurus strong with the Sun dominant therein.

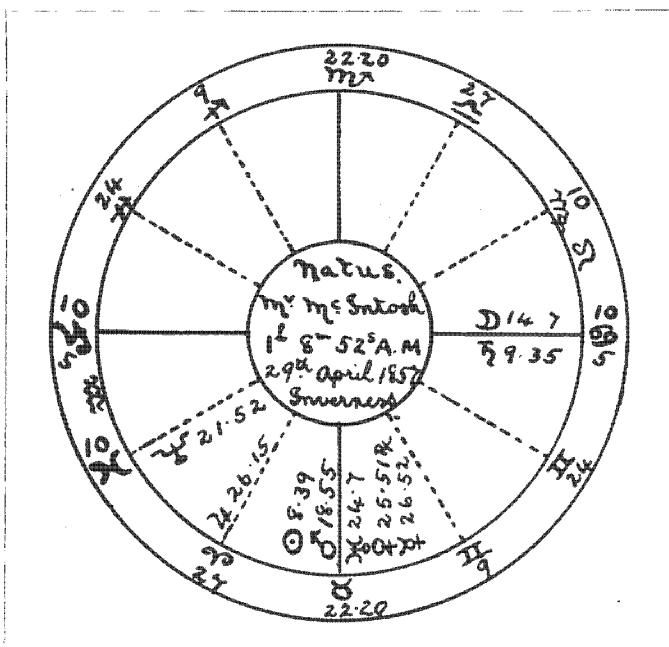
The conjoined influence of Sun and Mars while denoting great vigour and energy of

body, strength of will, independence and determination, also shows some brusqueness of manner, abruptness, eccentricity, and an exacting and domineering individuality. These traits are greatly intensified, as the Sun is also conjoined with Uranus, which is also conjoined with Mars. This triple

conjunction while indicating an unique individuality, also shows it to be a little too self-centred, with some wayward and erratic tendencies. The Sun conjoined with Mars will make him deal with his patients in a very positive and sanguine way; while the conjunction of Mars and Uranus will make him appear enigmatical to them. The psychic side of his strong personality

(☉ ♂ in ♈) will

be most manifest to his patients, but little will they know of the "will" which moulds the thoughts to the right requirements and directs them to become healing agents to their suffering minds and bodies. It is, therefore, to the conjoined influence of Uranus and Mercury we must look for the laboratory in which those transcendental forces are evolved. It shows this healer to be a practical occult chemist, who will not pursue the beaten track, but who will strike out a line of original research. The ruler of the 2nd in Aries in the 3rd, shows him to be



an ardent pioneer and capable of much exertion in matters psychical, intellectual, and physical.

The position and aspects of Neptune, Saturn, and Uranus in the psychic signs Pisces and Cancer confers upon him a clairvoyant and psychometrical faculty which will greatly help him in the diagnosis of his patients.

It should always be remembered that the 10th house not only signifies the business aptitudes, but also the hobbies one may take up. This is well exemplified in Mr. McIntosh's horoscope by Mars, ruler of 10th and 3rd in the 4th in sextile to Neptune in the 2nd, which shows that he would have met with monetary success by using his magnetic and mediumistic gifts in a professional way if he had been so disposed. As it is, he has often received monetary presents from the hands of grateful patients for his self-sacrificing labours.

The sign Pisces, in which Neptune is placed, brings a strong 12th house influence of hospitals and institutions where suffering humanity is confined. Though this healer has had nothing to do with hospitals in a direct way, he has had in an indirect way; for many of his patients have been discharged as incurable.

The influence of the 7th house has had a very marked effect upon his life. The conjunction of Moon and Saturn there have brought him much contention and public criticism; but the sextile of the Sun to Saturn has always enabled him to come out on top. As Saturn is under the earth and in direct opposition to the ascendant of the horoscope, it shows that his progress through life will be retarded by the leaden chains of Saturn. His strong individuality may not feel any limitations, but his personality will. (♂ ♂ ♄). So long as he is content to remain in the occult sphere all will be well; but let him seek to live more in the personality than the individuality, then he will find that fate, as expressed by Saturn, is a hard task master.

His wife was a typical saturnine person and a medium of a very rare order, which ♄ in ♄ 7th clearly shows, and as Saturn is

his significator and that of his wife, it shows a psychic union. In his arduous task of healer, his wife has been a great helpmate to him, her wonderful clairvoyant faculty often being requisitioned. Her wide sympathies (♄) together with the strain made upon her weak constitution (♄ in ♄) by the numbers of ailing people ministered to under her roof proved too much, and she passed away leaving her husband to mourn her, as Saturn on the cusp of the 7th shows.

Mr. McIntosh launched forth on his great healing career in 1896 under the following significant directions: Asc. P, Δ ♀ R, Δ ♀ R, Δ ♄ R, ♀ P \* ♄ R, ☉ P ♂ ♂ P. The last direction, ☉ P ♂ ♂ P, was responsible for laying him up with an accident to his foot (♄ in ♄ common sign). At the commencement of his confinement he conceived the idea of utilising this opportunity for a protracted fast which ultimately lasted 14 days. He could not have carried out his fast under a better direction than ☉ P ♂ ♂ P, which gives great energy and vitality.

At the completion of his fast and convalescence, he took up the work of healing in his spare time, as he is a forger by trade (ruler of 2nd in ♄, a fiery sign). In 10 years (1896-1906) he put 7,000 patients through his hands.

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[Our contributor speaks of the conjunction of the Sun with Mars and Uranus, but this is stretching the orb limit too much. The remarkable power shown by our subject is due to the triple conjunction of Uranus, Venus and Mercury, and their sextile to Neptune.—ED.]

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## Birthday Influences during June.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♈, \* ♃, △ ♄. P ♂. A favourable birthday, social and financial success, gain and improvement in affairs, but some danger of feverish disorders and disputes. A child born on this day will be artistic, intuitive and impressionable, very popular and esteemed, but rashly inclined and often in danger of heavy troubles thereby.

2. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♈, \* ♄. A changeable year, some benefits and slight changes, but otherwise not important. A child born on this day will be original and inventive, restless and fond of travel, but will have a quiet career.

3. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♈, □ ♄, ♂ ♄. An unpleasant year, danger of financial losses, accidents and litigation, many troubles and annoyances, and much difficulty. A child born on this day will be rash and unruly, extravagant, often in law and difficulties, and very unfortunate in life.

4. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♈, ♂ ♄, P ♄, △ ♈, ♂ ♄. A changeable year, some changes and benefits through elderly people, but many expected blows and reversals. Indisposition, and social troubles. A child born on this day will be restless, impulsive, abrupt and irritable, will have many ups and downs in life, changes and upsets, be often in trouble and want of employment, and possibly come to a deplorable end unless friends take up his case.

5. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♈, ♂ ♄, △ ♄, \* ♂. A doubtful year, danger of litigation, financial losses, and many troubles, but some social and financial benefits and gain through new enterprises. A child born on this day will be active, energetic, clever and intelligent, will rise in life, but should be careful of litigation and rash speculations.

6. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♈, ♂ ♄, □ ♈. A very unfortunate year, unpleasant experiences, changes and worries, indisposition, and financial troubles. A child born on this day will be restless, independent and abrupt, rebellious against authority, and will have much trouble to contend against and come to a bad end.

7. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♈, P ♄, P ♄, ♀ ♄. A successful year, possibilities of marriage or engagement with social and financial success, and benefits in employment. Slight indisposition shown. A child born on this day will be artistic, poetic, clever and refined, will gain through employers and superiors and be fairly successful in life.

8. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♈, △ ♄, P ♄, ♀ ♄. A changeable year, little changes and unpleasant experiences, plots and attacks, but gain in employment and improvement in position. A child born on this day will be restless and unreliable, but will gain in employment and through superiors.

9. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♈, \* ♈, △ ♄, △ ♄. A favourable year, important changes, new responsibilities, improvement of position, and gain through elders. A child born on this day will be clever, serious, steady and trustworthy, and will gain in life and be very successful.

10. **THURSDAY.** (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♈, ♂ ♄, ♂ ♄, □ ♄. An evil year, danger of indisposition, accidents, litigations and disputes, financial losses and unpleasant experiences. Some benefits through friends. A child born on this day will be rash, extravagant, quarrelsome and impetuous, often involved in disputes and litigation, and squandering money. Friends will help him in life or he would soon ruin himself.

11. **FRIDAY.** (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♈, □ ♄, \* ♄, □ ♄, P ♈. A changeable year, indisposition and bereavement, but some changes and alterations in affairs. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle in life, but will gain through the help of others, and may surmount his troubles with their aid.

12. **SATURDAY.** (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♈, □ ♄, □ ♄, □ ♄, \* ♈. A variable year, new responsibilities and promotions, also much success in business and employment, but domestic troubles and grief. A child born on this day will be steady and trustworthy, will rise in life through industry and perseverance and have much prosperity. Will be subject to much secret enmity.

13. **SUNDAY.** (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♈, □ ♄, ♂ ♄, \* ♄, \* ♄. Another changeable year, danger of unpleasant changes, indisposition and accidents, but gain in employment, and benefits from superiors. A child born on this day will be abrupt and rash, selfish and ambitious, will rise in life through own endeavours and gain through superiors and in employment.

14. **MONDAY.** (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♈, \* ♄, P ♄, P ♄, △ ♄, \* ♂. A favourable year, social and financial advantages, gain through friends, much activity and enterprise, but some danger of disputes and quarrels. A child born on this day will be rash and impulsive, but active, enterprising, popular and successful in life.

15. **TUESDAY.** (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♈, \* ♄, △ ♄. A quiet year, generally with some favourable changes and minor benefits. A child born on this day will be independent and original, and have a fair amount of success in life.

16. **WEDNESDAY.** (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♈, □ ♄, P ♄. An unsettled birthday, many little ups and downs, and changes in affairs. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, but very unsettled and unsuccessful.

17. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♈, ☿, ♀, ♄, ♀, ♀. A very favourable year, benefits in employ, changes, improvement in position and affairs, and much success. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, popular and careful, will rise in life and be very successful in employment.

18. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♋, ♀, ♀, ♀. A successful year, changes and improvement of position. A child born on this day will be clever, of good judgment, serious and trustworthy, and will be successful in life.

19. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♋, ♀, ♄, ♀, ♄, ♀, ♄, ♀. Not a pleasant year, some benefits financially, new works or position, but unfavourable changes, plots and schemes, and indisposition. A child born on this day will be active, enterprising and popular with the other sex, but will have much opposition in life, enmity and treachery to contend with, and health will be a drawback.

20. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♋, ♀, ♀, ♀. A fairly successful year, marriage or engagement of single women, some danger of disputes and indisposition. A child born on this day will be rather rash and impulsive, changeable and erratic, but will be very popular and should gain through marriage and in social and financial matters.

21. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♌, ♀, ♀, ♀. A generally unsettled and troublesome year. A child born on this day will be wayward and erratic, impressionable and fanciful, but will not make much headway in life.

22. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♌, ♀, ♄, ♀. A very active and successful year, with promotion and success in work. A child born on this day will be enterprising and energetic, and will rise in life and be successful and prosperous. He will be clever and trustworthy.

23. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♍, ♀, ♀, ♀. A fairly successful year, benefits in employ, increase of remuneration and promotion, but some treachery from females. A child born on this day will have musical abilities and

be popular, but liable to deceit and underhand actions from others.

24. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♍, ♀, ♀, ♀, ♄, ♀. A changeable year, danger of accidents and disputes, but social and financial gains and improvement of position. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, sharp and sarcastic, but very popular, and fairly successful in life.

25. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♎, ♀, ♀, ♀. An evil anniversary, danger of indisposition and loss of employment. A child born on this day will be much handicapped in life and have a hard struggle to make a competence.

26. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♎, ♀, ♀, ♀. An unfavourable birthday, financial losses, and many unpleasant experiences. A child born on this day will be impressionable and fanciful, and in danger of disgrace through the other sex.

27. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♎, ♀, ♀, ♀. A very evil birthday, indisposition, losses, troubles and anxieties, danger of accidents, disputes and bereavement. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty and impetuous, often involved in serious troubles and in danger of ruin and disgrace.

28. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, ♀, ♀, ♀. A good year, improvement in position, social and financial gain, and much success in affairs. A child born on this day will be rashly inclined, but clever, popular and esteemed, and will rise in life to a better position than that in which he was born.

29. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, ♀, ♀, ♀. A good year, changes, new works and undertakings, enterprise and success, financial benefits and improvement in affairs. A child born on this day will be clever, energetic, kind and affectionate, will make good headway in life and be very successful and popular.

30. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♐, ♀, ♀, ♀. A very unsettled year, many changes, worries and anxieties. A child born on this day will be clever, but unsettled and unreliable, and will not be very successful in life.

## Astrology and Astrologers--V.

By LOUIS. E. JACKSON, Norfolk, Va., U.S.A.

### Ignorance the Earmark of Scepticism as well as of Superstition.

From time immemorial writers of high and low degree have maintained that the maligners of astrology are totally ignorant of its principles and too bigoted to sacrifice pride in their own infallibility. "Have them bring up the directions to a few dates for which you supply them the necessary information," observe the protagonists of astrology in sundry advices to the proselyte, "and you will find that they are unequal to the task." No truer observation was ever made in regard to the antagonist, for he is ignorant of the mathematical intentions of the study

every time. Although the ability to work trigonometrical formulas is no criterion to philosophical judgment, it is nonetheless true that an opponent of astrology, being advanced far enough in the principles of the latter to have use for a knowledge of higher mathematics, invariably metamorphoses into a champion of the unaccountable planetary co-ordinations with mundane happenings. Therein lies the pith of the abjuration to propose to the cynic the working of astrological directions.

Many an able thinker has set out to expose the fallacies of the cant. In every instance where love of truth and justice was in keeping with zeal, they

have thought it apropos to first become acquainted with the primer details of their astrology. Sad to relate, like the fool who came to scoff and remained to pray, they warm to the inexplicable substantiation which experience furnishes for the proper application of rules laid down by devotees when the world was much younger; and, in the end, they lose sight of the actuating motive of exploding the supposed wind-bag, admitting themselves defeated and mystified.

The gauntlet may be assuringly laid down before all and sundry who are versed in rudimentary astronomy, mediocre mathematics, with common horse sense to acknowledge a check mate, to have a try at proving to their own satisfaction that astrology is a fallacy which has engaged some gifted brains in all ages.

It will be for them to explain what their unwilling senses must admit is so; unless they, too, accept the best explanation so far afforded. They will find that, according to text book definition, a person born when the Sun and Moon are in certain specified positions will possess, in common with all others born under similar celestial conditions and of similar sex and hereditary racial tendencies, peculiar, but unequivocal, characteristics. This assertion being modified with the understanding, that the unaccountable similarity will obtain in a majority of cases, not in all. The same is true in regard to all the other planets except Uranus and Neptune, which latter have been known for so short a period, and their sidereal times are so much longer than the average span of human life, no exact laws have been formulated for predicting their positive influence.

#### **The Whole of an Edifice is not Condemned for the Instability of a Part.**

It is the failure of these rules to hold good in every instance that causes the trouble in placing astrology among the true sciences. A natural phenomenon must occur repeatedly under precisely similar conditions in order to establish itself as a determining factor in mundane events.

The Moon was seen to maintain the same phases many thousands of times in co-ordination with the accompanying sea tides before science concluded to accept the Moon as a factor in their production. Even now, after repeating the same phases so many times co-ordinately with the concomitant tides, there arise contingencies wherein the tide varies from its general condition under the previous similar lunar phase, which cannot be accounted for by any known cause. Yet the principle is neither refuted nor invalidated because of such discrepancy.

Just so with the influence ascribed to other heavenly bodies. In a majority of incidents the phenomena observed re-obtain under like conditions recurring; but, there arise now and then discrepancies in the observed phenomena under conditions which at many prior incidents co-ordinated with quite different actualities. And, it is in such unaccountable cases that the judgment of astrologers, misled by falsely grounded rules, comes to naught. Then the intolerant cynic, with a haughty sweep of the hand, repulses all the truth astrology does contain for the sake of the inconsistency in one baffling prophetic venture.

No one attempts to gainsay that a multiplicity of celestial causes so confuses the problem of cause and effect as to render accurate judgment in every prophetic instance almost hopelessly difficult. For that very reason the incentive to solution of the problem is the greater, and no capable student will be discouraged in the endeavour to reach the proper explanation of hidden forces which produce palpable phenomena.

The orthodox astronomer has planted his faith firmly in the soil of indifference cultivated by demagogues who, non-plussed by the obstacles in the premises of the question, have despaired of penetrating the veiled source of mundane existence, and handed down the decision that the problem is one which admits of no solution by the laws of celestial mechanics. Dog in the manger like, unable to shed any light themselves upon the puzzle, they will find that no other demagogue shall excel them in scientific discovery.

The critics of the present day do not criticise astrology out of a personal knowledge of its absurdities (although it is a lamentable truth that it contains plenty of them) but from mere hearsay. The following quotation hits them off to a "T."

"I should like to preserve my illusions,  
I don't want you to open my eyes;  
For the truth has some bitter infusions,  
And their taste I prefer to disguise.  
Tho' for some information I've panted,  
From impertinent prying I'm free;  
And I'm willing to take all for granted,  
In the matter of form, that I see."

To the lover of justice and fair play no more striking example of one-sided justice may be pointed out than the astrological treatises contained in our world-famed encyclopædias. Beginning with Johnson's, from Chamber's and the Britannica down to the New International and the Universal, every article on astrology in these imposing works has been written by men as ignorant of astrology as the average shoemaker is of architecture.

Did the editors of the New International apply to a music teacher for a representative exposition of the science of astronomy? Not likely. For, in the first place, they would be found out. Too many are versed in the history and principles of astronomy. But, in the case of neglected astrology, for all the light and truth that's brought to its treatment in encyclopædias, the articles may have been contributed by a self-educated hod carrier, or by any other person or persons in this world but an astrologer or even individuals whose bias is not pronouncedly vigorous against the science.

How many men and women in the past have gone to these fountains of knowledge for sage counsel on the disquieting topic, astrology? How many men and women of the countless number of earnest investigators who have had recourse to the fountains referred to, could determine whether the advice furnished them by that source was the advice of competent or of ignoramuses? How many no one may say. But we may say, with absolute assurance, that they were each and every one criminally misguided by the conscienceless demagogues who dared dis-

grace the revered stronghold of human knowledge by writing for future generations on a subject with whose simplest rudiments they stand self-convicted of total ignorance.

A casual reference to any of our hefty encyclopædias will confirm the statement that the writers of those special articles knew nothing about astrology, although they managed very nicely to deliver a respectably padded disquisition on its fallacies without being troubled with any excess mental baggage of astrological description. And you need not be learned in the science yourself to be quickly convinced that their single claim to an audience is their facile practice in English composition. The moral of which is, don't take your scientific knowledge on the second-hand plan.

**Unselfish Students, Scientists, are Needed to Make Proper Use of Material at Hand.**

These facts are dwelt upon only to show why the elementary text books treating of astrological principles seem so inadequate and leave so much unexplained to the deep thinker who is repelled at the outstart of his inquiry by the lack of logic in all he can find printed on the subject.

It is so hard to think, and so easy to let another do the thinking; astrologers are working around the same circle and playing with the same errors, the same worthless speculation as to rulerships of houses and the foretelling of events, from the location of a missing trifle by some house servant to the declaration of war by some world power, which our great, great grandfathers knew a hundred years ago.

The sneers of an educated critic are not to be marvelled at, in view of their seldom arriving at the deeper side of astrological intent. Also, we have an explanation there for the occasional converts who set out to expose astrology; they did not, at first, conceive the unfamiliar practicalities of the whole proposition; and, coming to peep inside, more was found than was bargained for.

As to the mixture of irrationalism with acceptable tenets, was not this the case with astronomy when Galileo and Copernicus took up the study? Did they abandon the complicated structure because its foundations were deficient and unstable? What we know unquestionably to be the real system of the world, expounded with such singular judgment by the 16th century sages, shows whether or not they did. And, did Copernicus or any of his followers who confirmed and elaborated his "Revolutions," originate the solar system theories as we know them? Not much. On the contrary, Copernicus diligently applied forty years of his life to the remoulding of material which had wandered fruitlessly, deviously from language to language through twenty one or more centuries before reaching him. Pythagoras, Thales, Philolaus and Anaximander taught the axial and translatory motions of the earth as early as six hundred years before Christ, beginning with Thales' founding the Ionian school; but the Peripatetics, followers of Aristotle, triumphed over truth and reason from that time down to the 16th century.

A parallel for this statu quo of philosophical research exists to-day. We see, for example, widely separated cases of individuals being born under

certain celestial conditions, whatsoever may be the time of year, possessing traits or characteristics in common. Invoking the argument of coincidence, which is the argument of ignorance, avails nothing; an event of such importance as the birth of a human being is never an accident. Nor is it an isolated case here and there which the indifferent seek to attribute to coincidence; hundreds of the so-called "coincidences" of authentic origin are within the reach of any one who cares to have a further look into the subject. An application to any respectable student of astrology will discover a wealth of reliable material for the person who has penetration and uncommon genius. There is a reason, to make use of a slogan; and it may well be that the key to the mysterious situation will be found in astrology in due time.

Numerous able, educated private students of astral science in many lands are aware of the veracity of the condemnatory statements set forth in this article, and they are repelled by the truth expressed therein, as well as by the ignominy attaching to belief in an unpopular study. The following epigrams, culled from a leading exponent (now defunct) of modern astrology, aptly express the meat in the egg we have been discussing:—

"Theory is worthless if it has not the facts at its back. Astrologers should bring more scientific methods to bear upon the subject. Why talk of it as an exact science when the greater part of their own work disproves this? Why do they quarrel so much among themselves over immaterial points? There is light here and there, but so little as only to make the general darkness more visible. Never yet was there so good a cause with so poor a showing. Could they scorn low motives as single-minded seekers after truth, resolutely hold in check all preconceived ideas, forego fanciful vagaries, leave canting and pretence, they would not present, as they so often do, such a sorry spectacle before the world."

To point out an evil without offering a practical remedy is worse than keeping silent. For the benefit of interested students we will be compelled to take up the point of an improvement in methods for astrological research elsewhere, as the space at command is here limited.

Also, to refer to existing evils in a mysterious, indefinite manner is contributing nothing toward their correction. Freedom of the press carries no license to libel the veriest scalawag in the land, unless the libellant be prepared to go to a great deal of trouble and expense in substantiating the truth of the accusations. Therefore, a word to the wise being sufficient, let no curiosity to explore something-for-nothing ads. tempt to contribute towards the addition of another story to the magnificent brick structures which the American advertising astrologer has erected in various cities east and west by constant levies on the purse of superstition.

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Is the standard modern work on Rosicrucianism.—To be obtained of W. Foulsham & Co., 4, Pilgrim Street, E.C.

## Angular Aspects.

By "ASTROLABUS."

HERE is one point in connection with the modern presentation of Astrological doctrine which must needs be very confusing indeed to any one who attempts to get a few ideas for himself or herself about the subject from the generally recommended text books. This is the question of the Aspects. In the remarks which I shall make upon this subject—although of necessity technical—I shall endeavour to so put them before the readers of "ours" that they will be sure to be interested in the subject, and, even if they have not already been tempted to study the subject for themselves, they will find that the present article will put its subject before them in such a manner that they will feel strongly inclined to look into Astrology for themselves.

First, then, I must perforce adopt a role which to many will savour of iconoclasm.

We see a great deal nowadays in astrological literature about aspects of  $15^\circ$ ,  $18^\circ$ ,  $20^\circ$ ,  $24^\circ$ ,  $30^\circ$  and so on, when we consult some text books, while in others we do not see any mentioned except those of  $60^\circ$ ,  $90^\circ$ ,  $120^\circ$ , and  $180^\circ$ . This latter is notably the case with Ptolemy. In those text books which make mention of the other so-called minor aspects we are told that Kepler invented them. Far be it from me to in any way belittle anything which is said to have originated from so great a man; but REASON, that is the scientific use of the inductive faculty, must in any case be our guide. When aspects are multiplied, as they are in some quarters at the present time, our opponents may well say we endeavour to fit things in, so as to get an agreement with facts. And in this they would be to an extent justified since in the motions of the planets it would be a miracle if some one or more of these hypothetical aspects did not fit an event, because, the more one multiplies the aspects the more likely is one to find some aspect or another near the time of an event. Now I wish right here to state emphatically that so far as I am concerned I am certain that it is a DELUSION.

We should investigate the origin of the aspects before we accept them, and above all we should be able to prove to anyone that the aspects we use are in agreement with two things. These two things are NATURE and GEOMETRY. Of course inasmuch as geometry is a part of, and indeed the foundation of nature, we might reduce our two heads to one. But in dividing them as I have done I have a reason.

I am going to appeal to physical science on the Natural head and Geometry on the mathematical side and see whether we cannot by the aid of both definitely establish the naturalness and mathematical certainty of certain aspects.

First then I shall appeal to that branch of science known as Crystallography. The growth and development of crystals may be said to lie at the very base of Nature since it is manifested more in the realm

of the inorganic than in that of the organic. And, as most of our readers are aware, the inorganic phases of life on our planet, and indeed so far as we know throughout the universe, in all cases precedes the organic. Some may be disposed to take me to task for speaking of INORGANIC LIFE. But in these days those of us who keep up with the times are well aware that it is becoming increasingly difficult to say where life does or does not begin. And in the growth of the crystal we have something which proceeds on definite lines and in accordance with law. And who shall dare to say that this is not a manifestation of a form, however feeble, of life.

Now crystals may be divided into six principal classes, viz., Tetragonal, Cubic, Hexagonal, Rhombic, Monoclinic and Triclinic. Of these only the first three are quite regular as far as our purpose is concerned, that is to say in connection with their angles. A Rhombic, Monoclinic, or Triclinic crystal may have any arrangement of angles, and these of course are always the same for any special substance which crystallises under any one of the three classes. The angle may vary greatly and is not always an integral number, and therefore the three latter are rejected since they do not agree with the argument under the second head. When we come to study the geometry of space we find that there are certain figures called regular convex polyhedra. This means a figure having many sides which can be contained in a sphere or hollow body which is circular in every direction. I have tried to put this so that those readers who are not mathematicians can follow the argument. Those who are mathematicians will, I know, pardon me.

Now note this. There are only FIVE POSSIBLE regular convex polyhedra. There can be no more. This is the mathematical or rather geometrical limit. They are as follows:—

(1). Tetrahedron with four sides, six edges, and four points. Each face or side is an equilateral triangle. This figure corresponds to and agrees with the group of crystals known as Tetragonal. (Better known as a triangular pyramid).

(2). Hexahedron with six sides, twelve edges, and eight points. Each face is a square. (This figure is better known under the name of the cube). It corresponds to and agrees with the group of crystals known as Cubic.

(3). Octahedron with eight sides, eighteen edges, and twelve points. Each face is an equilateral triangle, and the section perpendicular to its axis is a hexagon or six-sided figure whose angles are  $120^\circ$  each. This figure agrees with that group of crystals known as Hexagonal.

(4). The Dodecahedron has twelve sides all of them pentagons with angles of  $72^\circ$  each.

(5). The Icosahedron has twenty sides and NONE of these sides is a regular geometrical figure (that is having its sides and angles equal). BUT the

figure generally is a modification of the pentagonal angle, while that section which is perpendicular to its axis is a hexagon as above.

These are all the possible regular convex polyhedra, and I may ask our readers where are the angles so much talked about by some astrologers? Conspicuous by their absence.

Be it noted that only one angle is here added to those laid down by Ptolemy in his *Tetrabiblos*, and that is the angle of  $72^\circ$ , known as the Quintile among astrologers. Oh! for an *astrologia sana* as recommended by the great Lord Verulam.

The aspects that would seem to be in undeniable agreement with nature, are then the Sextile  $60^\circ$ , the Quintile  $72^\circ$ , the Square  $90^\circ$ , and the Trine  $120^\circ$ . The Opposition is really a position opposite. It does not constitute an aspect. By this do not understand me to say that the opposition, and, of course, the parallel of declination, must not be considered. They are not aspects, that is all.

The order of power of the above aspects should be, in my opinion, reckoned downwards from the greatest to the least (not including the Quintile) as follows:  $120^\circ$ ,  $90^\circ$ ,  $60^\circ$ , and the Quintile as the

least powerful because it does not find itself represented in the great divisions of crystals. It is indeed open to doubt whether it is an astrological aspect at all since it has not both these arguments in its favour. Any influence that has been attributed to it may after all be due to an "orb of influence" from the Sextile. In support of the above I may say that in my practice I have never found a minor aspect (so-called) exerting any influence. I have found minor aspects coinciding with major ones which, in my opinion, were responsible for the event.

If this little article does nothing else, it will show our readers that the aspects—the true aspects of Ptolemy on which Astrology is founded—consist in angles which lie at the very base of Nature and which may be found in the geometry of space.

There is another way, let me remind readers of calculating aspects besides the aspects in the Zodiac, and that is the calculation of the Mundane aspects, as they are called, which are derived from the proportional distances of planets from one another, reckoned by their semi-arcs.

[There are points mentioned above with which we do not agree. We may refer to them later.—ED.]

## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### IX.—MERCURY.

**W**E are now nearing the Sun. We have arrived at the planet Mercury, the nearest planet to the great luminary. Mercury is the smallest of the planets—excepting, of course, the asteroids—its diameter being just under 3,000 miles, while it revolves round the Sun in 88 days, at a mean distance of 36 million miles, but owing to the great ellipticity of the planet's orbit it varies as much as seven millions of miles, being at times that amount nearer the Sun and at others the same amount farther away.

It is not very often that we who live in northern latitudes can get a glimpse of this little planet, for it is never more than 28 degrees distant from the Sun, and sets so closely after that orb, that twilight and the vapours which gather round the horizon tend to obscure its bright twinklings.

So difficult is this planet to be seen that the great Copernicus at the close of his memorable life expressed his regret that he had never had the opportunity of seeing the planet. Still, in spite of this, the planet was known from the earliest ages. Observations are recorded for over 2,000 years, and an

observation of the planet has been found as far back as 265 B.C. Earlier even than this we have the record of the chief astronomer of Nineveh, in a report which he made to Assurbanipal, King of Assyria, and even then this does not necessarily appear to be the first observation made of this planet.

In our own land it is generally possible to see Mercury twice or three times in the course of a year, and by consulting any almanac which gives the position of the body, it may easily be found. Unfortunately we cannot see much on Mercury, as it is a small planet, and beyond the fact that it appears as a crescent, and has phases like the Moon and Venus, it is too small and bright to admit of examination of the details of its surface.

Now one particular fact should be noted, and that is, owing to the variation of the distance of Mercury from the Sun, the amount of heat received from the Sun changes from four times, when farthest away, to nine times when nearest, the Sun, to that to which we are accustomed, and the variation causes the Sun to rise to more than double his apparent size.

Mercury like Venus sometimes appears as a small black spot crossing the face of the Sun. The phenomena called a transit is more frequent with Mercury than Venus, taking place many times in the course of a hundred years.

One curious point in regard to Mercury is that the latest discoveries concerning it have brought to light that it revolves on its own

axis in the same period as its revolution round the Sun, and in consequence only turns one side to that luminary, so that one side of the planet is in perpetual light and heat, and the other darkness and cold. It is, however, only right to say that this discovery is not yet confirmed.

Next month we will examine the greater luminary the Sun.

## Our Friendship Column.

**T**HE readiness with which many of our subscribers have embraced the opportunity of making friends through the medium of this column bids fair for its success. We must, therefore, lay down a few rules for future guidance.

First we desire to emphasise the fact that this is a "Friendship" Column, whose sole object is to bring together kindred spirits and open up communions which will be of lasting benefit to the participators; and, as friendship shuns disguises, we ask that in every case the name and address shall appear with the invitation so that from the very beginning we may correspond with each other in a perfectly frank and open manner. Let this, then, be our first rule. We shall in this issue, however, depart from our rule for the reason that those of our friends who have already written were not aware that this much would be required of them; but, in order to meet the case, we have made arrangements to forward all answers to those concerned provided the answers are enclosed in a clean stamped envelope under cover addressed to us. Be careful to mark the word "Friendship" in top left hand corner, and address your prospective friend by the initials and district given in the invitation. You quite understand this arrangement holds good only for *this* issue. In future you will be able to answer invitations direct without our intervention.

One other word. For quite personal reasons there may be those amongst our subscribers who though not less sincere in

their desire to make use of this column would prefer to use a *nom-de-plume*; and in order to meet such cases we have decided to treat such requests as advertisements, for which a prepaid charge of one shilling for every two lines will be made.

**LADY**, ♀ in ♏ 19.36, ☉ in ♏ 23.5, wishes gentleman friend ♀ in ♏ 23 deg., ☉ in ♏ 19 deg.—Address E. M. (Bournemouth), c/o Editor, OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER, 4, Pilgrim Street, London, E.C.

**YOUNG** lady with Sun 26 deg. ♊, Moon 28 deg. ♊, would like to exchange postcards with gentleman friend with his Sun in ♊.—Address E. H. S. (Bath), c/o the Editor as above.

**LADY**, age 40, friendless and alone, would like to correspond with lady or gentleman in friendship.—Address M. W. (Berkshire), c/o the Editor as above.

**A.S.** (London, S.E.) has ☉ in ♏, ♀ in ♏, Asc. ♏, and would like to meet with lady friend who has ☉ in ♏, ♀ in ♏ (Asc. ♏ if possible).—Address A. S. (London, S.E.), c/o the Editor as above.

**GENTLEMAN**, age 21, ☉ in ♏ and ♀ in ♏, wishes to correspond with a young lady with Sun in ♏.—Address P. G. (Maidstone), c/o the Editor as above.

**GENTLEMAN**, age 25, mediumistic, Asc. 6 deg. ♏, Sun 4 deg. ♏, Moon 21 deg. ♏, would like to correspond with either sex who have their Sun, Moon or benefics on or near the places above.—Address I. O. (Luton), c/o the Editor as above.

**MALE**, born 9th February 1881, would like to correspond with a lady between the ages of 21 and 26 whose birthday falls between the 18th and 23rd of June.—Address C. P. (Kilburn N.W.), c/o the Editor as above.

# OLD MOORE'S

## Monthly Outlook and Forecast



JULY, 1909.

### Summer Quarter.

The Sun's entry into Cancer takes place just after two in the morning of the 22nd June, when the beginning of the sign Gemini will be rising, and Mercury, ruler of the figure, will be placed in Gemini on the cusp of the second house. The ingress takes place in the second house. The position of Mercury afflicted by Mars shows much unrest among the people, and a great outcry against the Commons. There will be losses on the Exchange, fraud and swindling, and a good deal of excitement in the Money Market. The conjunction of Venus with Neptune in the third house in square to Saturn and opposition to Uranus is not good for the post office and railways, much agitation being shown, accidents and outrages on railways. The Moon close to the cusp of the fifth house and Jupiter in that division will benefit theatres and the younger generation, an increase in the birth-rate being shown. Naval and military affairs will be prominent, and discussion thereon in the Commons will give rise to much disputation and personal recriminations. Foreign affairs will tend to be more peaceable. Uranus in the ninth is evil for the Colonies, shipping and religious matters, disputes being feared. The affliction of Saturn, ruler of the tenth, is bad for Royalty and high life, and much illness will be heard of among the nobility. The posi-

tion of Mars in the eleventh house is evil for the Government, sickness and deaths among members being prevalent as well as much unruliness and disputes in the House. Saturn in the twelfth, much afflicted, is bad for hospitals and institutions, and many crimes against women and children will be brought to light. The administration of some public institution will cause a grave scandal.

### United States.

At Washington, the ingress takes place exactly on the cusp of the sixth house, with Venus and Neptune therein. This is bad for naval and military matters, showing scandals therein. Mercury in the fifth in square to Mars in the second is bad for financial matters, showing fraud, forgery and sharp practice, also great expenditure in naval matters. Saturn in the third bodes evil for railways, and accidents and outrages thereon will occur. Many marriages of note are probable. Uranus rising points to much unrest in the land, strikes and differences between master and man. At San Francisco, the ingress takes place in the seventh house and Venus and Neptune are in the eighth, pointing to much mortality among females, and some indication of deaths by poison. Fires and accidents are also threatened in July.

### China and Japan.

At Tokio, Mars will be setting, a warning against disputes with other powers, and of war. Mercury on the midheaven in square to Mars augments the danger. Saturn in the eighth house denotes great mortality among the aged. At Pekin, Jupiter rises, which is favourable for the general condition of the country, albeit the position of Mars in the seventh house is distinctly evil for dealings with other powers and shows danger of disputes and war.

### Europe.

At Petersburg, Mars is in the tenth house, a warning to the Czar and his ministers. Some notable officials in the empire will be in danger of assassination. At Berlin, Mercury rises, and this denotes much strife and unsettlement among the people, disputes between master and man, and an outcry against the Reichstag. Some unrest is shown in the Turkish Empire, for although Jupiter is close to the cusp of the fourth house, Mars is in the tenth, and disturbances are to be feared.

### General Predictions.

Colonial affairs will be disturbed, especially India. Portugal, Turkey, and Spain will suffer. The States, Belgium, and London will be disturbed. Holland and Scotland will suffer from the conjunction of Venus with Neptune in their ruling sign.

### Special Predictions.

Mars culminates in Eastern Persia, Tabreez, Somaliland, a warning of bloodshed in these parts. Saturn culminates in Central India, denoting troubles in those parts. Mars is on the nadir in 134 W. Long., a warning against violent storms and tidal waves in the Pacific. Seismic disturbances are threatened in 101 W. Long. Uranus is culminating at Lisbon, warning the authorities to beware of serious troubles there.

### Stock Exchange.

Brewery shares have shown a continual advance in value since advised. They are

still good to buy as enough extra duty has been added to cause the advance in price that will more than pay the brewer. In fact, he will be much better off now than for some years, and all brewing ought to show larger profits. A good purchase will be Brewery Preference Shares. We never specify any mines to buy. The planetary influence is for metals quite apart from Stock Exchange manipulation by interested parties. Just now gold, silver, and copper should be good payers, especially copper. Brazil West Minas and 1907 five per cent. loans, also Uruguay five per cent. loans still good and safe for investment. The latter pays a quarterly dividend regularly. Sell off all your Railway Shares (English) now or you will lose values later.

## Almanack Predictions

FOR JULY, 1909.

### Raphael.

Lunation ominous for Royalty, sickness and death in high places. Grave danger of war, activity in naval and military circles. Revenue satisfactory. Railways and post office benefit. Landed interests threatened. Peace of Empire threatened. Much mortality among aged; people of rank and position join the great majority. Legislation affecting the fair sex and marriage laws. Hospitals benefit.

### Zadkiel.

Troubles quickly develop in China, Japan and U.S.A. Anxiety for British Government. Accidents on ironclads. Sickness in high places and deaths among aged dignitaries. Reform in workhouses, etc. Portuguese affairs entangled.

### Orion.

Many changes and political excitement. Commotion in Parliament. Royal family involved in grief. Strange disasters in navigation, collisions and wrecks, earthquake and volcanic action, unemployed problem still unsolved.

**Old Moore.**

Sickness and death in high quarters. Dissension in the Cabinet. Treatment of imbeciles will be considered. Scare at Birmingham. Terrible catastrophe at Paris. Railway disaster, excursion boat calamity.

**Francis Moore.**

Death in high places, among Royalty and nobility, and some noted man of mature age will pass to the great beyond, and much mortality among the aged. Exchequer, railways and post office improve. Opposition to Government, involved action in high places. Naval pageant, heavy expenditure in armaments.

**Astronomical Phenomena**  
FOR JULY, 1909.

**Moon's Phases.**

Full Moon,	3rd	...	0h. 17m. aft.
Last Quarter,	10th	...	6h. 58m. morn.
New Moon,	17th	...	10h. 45m. morn.
First Quarter,	25th	...	11h. 45m. morn.

**Planetary Positions.**

- ☉. The SUN is in Cancer; enters Leo on 23rd at 1h. 1m. in the afternoon.
- ☿. MERCURY is a morning star all the month, in Gemini until 13th, then enters Cancer, and on 30th enters Leo.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star all the month, in Cancer until the 4th, then enters Leo; enters Virgo on the 29th.
- ♂. MARS is a morning star in Pisces, enters Aries on 21st. Its daily motion is getting slower.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star all the month in Virgo.
- ♄. SATURN is a morning star in Aries.
- ♅. URANUS is now well placed for observation, being in opposition with the Sun on 12th; souths at midnight.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is invisible this month, in conjunction with the Sun on the 9th.

The following table gives the Moon's position at noon on each day.

9, 10	Aries	23, 24	Libra
11, 12	Taurus	25, 26, 27	Scorpio
13, 14, 15	Gemini	1, 2, 28, 29	Sagittarius
16, 17	Cancer	3, 4, 30, 31	
18, 19	Leo	5, 6	Aquarius
20, 21, 22	Virgo	7, 8	Pisces

**The Weather.**

The month opens fine and warm, changeable about 8th, rain 9th, windy 12th, storms 15th, fall in temperature 16th, unsettled to 20th, then very hot summer weather to end. The weather especially from 8th to 16th is liable to sudden change.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

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### CHAPTER VIII. (Continued).

#### HAPPINESS.

We now take the position of the planets in the seventh house. The Sun in the seventh house shows that the life will be much influenced by others, strangers and opponents causing trouble, but brings fame and recognition, and prominence at some time of the life. It is a beneficial influence for marriage, giving a honourable and just partner, constant, strict and straightforward. If afflicted it shows heavy troubles, litigation, disputes and rivalry.

The Moon in the seventh house shows that marriage or partnerships will have a marked effect on the life, and that in some way or other the native comes prominently before the public, and may have fame or notoriety. If afflicted it shows litigation, many public enemies and much opposition from the lower orders. It does not show much success in marriage, unless well aspected.

Mercury in the seventh house shows much work or interest in the affairs of others, and that the life is greatly influenced by another being joined to it. Marriage and partnerships have a mental influence over the native and he gains considerably thereby. If much afflicted it shows many worries, annoyances, danger of litigation, libel and slander.

Venus in the seventh shows happiness and success in all matters to do with marriage, partnership and business dealings. It gives public esteem and popularity, and shows success in all matters connected with others. It also gives success in law.

Mars in the seventh affects the life adversely through marriage and partnerships, business dealings, etc. It does not give success in law and brings many open enemies, and opposition. Another life will come into the native's and seriously affect it. Jupiter in the seventh house, is good for marriage, partnerships and dealings with others.

Gives a well disposed partner, benefit through marriage, either social or financial, and gives popularity, success and public esteem.

Saturn in the seventh gives hindrances and limitations to success, much opposition in business dealings with others, troubles and difficulties in marriage, much discredit and cross currents in life, and danger of litigation and disappointments.

Uranus in the seventh is bad for happiness, either marital, business, or partnership. It brings disputes, separations, trouble through partners, and many sudden and unexpected troubles and disasters in dealings with others. When badly aspected it is exceptionally evil in all these matters.

Neptune in the seventh produces much secret enmity, treachery, plots, schemes, and involved action in all things to do with seventh house matters. It is evil for marital success, and equally so for business, partnerships, and similar matters.

Now as regards the planets in the eleventh house :—

The Sun in the eleventh house shows friends and acquaintances of a higher station in life, superiors and employers, and much benefit and success thereby. It is a very fortunate influence.

The Moon in the eleventh house shows that the life is much influenced by friends and acquaintances and through the general public. The native will rise in life through their aid, and gain financially through friends. If afflicted it shows unreliable friends and much trouble and loss through them.

Mercury in the eleventh house shows gain through intellectual friends and acquaintances, but it is not a very important influence unless well aspected. If afflicted it shows scandal and slander at the hands of friends, and many false and unreliable friends and acquaintances.

Venus in the eleventh shows many friends

among the female sex, acquaintances among refined and pure-minded people who will benefit the native. It shows much success thereby, but if afflicted it will bring evil report and danger of scandal through association with lewd people.

Mars in the eleventh shows that the life is considerably affected through friends, for it brings disputes, quarrels, and unpleasant experiences therefrom, and friends are more often than not merely so for what they can get, and in times of trouble the native is deserted. If afflicted the evil is augmented.

Jupiter in the eleventh brings many benefits, help and assistance from friends. A Jupiter friend is a friend indeed, and never deserts the native in adverse times. Persons of good birth and social advantages will help the native, and advance his interests. It brings a great, good and wise influence into the life at some time or other.

Saturn in the eleventh brings elderly friends, serious and steady people, constant, but apt to bring trouble with them. Misfortunes come through Saturnine friends, although they may be sincere. If afflicted it gives heavy troubles, friends and acquaintances often being a drag on the native, keeping him back in life.

Uranus in the eleventh shows strange friends, unconventional and Bohemian acquaintances, and will benefit the native through originality and by displays of genius or peculiar knowledge which they will impart for his benefit. If afflicted it gives heavy troubles, separations and estrangements through friends.

Neptune in the eleventh house brings strange and weird friendships, acquaintances of a questionable or doubtful origin, imposters and mountebanks, those who try to impose on the native. It brings a remarkable experience through friends and acquaintances at some time in life.

So far for the influences of the planets in the three different houses. In our next we will consider some further points in relation to this subject.

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THE CROWN PRINCE OF GERMANY.

**P**RINCE Frederick William, eldest son of the Kaiser, was born at Potsdam, on 6th May, at 9.50 p.m., when the planets were placed as in the diagram given below.

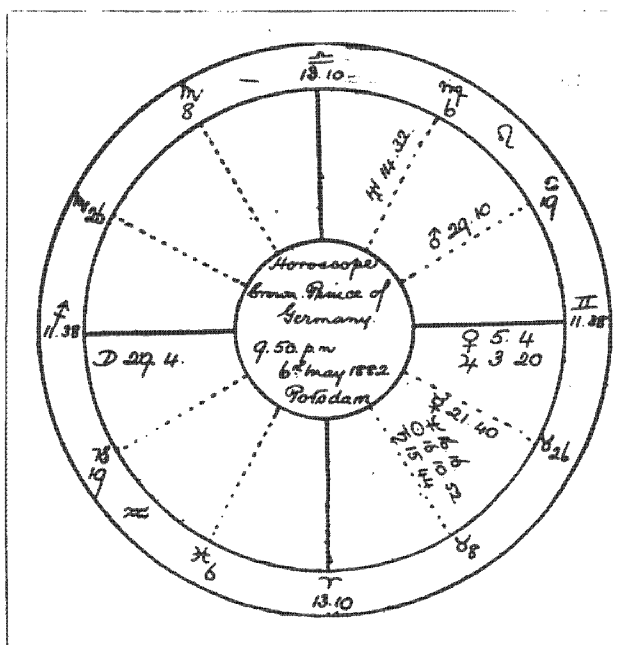
The sign Sagittarius rises with the Moon therein, the Sun, Mercury, Saturn, and Neptune are conjoined in Taurus in the fifth house. Venus and Jupiter are conjoined just below the cusp of the seventh house, Mars is in the eighth house and Uranus in the ninth. The Moon rising in Sagittarius gives plenty of spirit, an active and aspiring disposition, enthusiasm in social and intellectual pursuits, but a danger of seriously affecting the health by over-activity. The individuality is a marked

one, for the Sun is in Taurus conjoined with Saturn and Neptune. It is very firm, positive and obstinate, ambitious, and impressionable. There is a great deal of stored up energy, a deal of reserve, decision, psychic power and inspiration, but there is a peculiarity behind this individuality which requires occult perception to unravel. The mind is firm and positive, but refined, artistic, neat and orderly, cheerful, modest and amiable.

The Moon is the hyleg, and is not very much afflicted, though close to the sesqui-

quadrate of Sun, Saturn, and Neptune. Illness will rise through over-work, while the heart and throat are weak parts, and are liable to some malignant disease. The conjunction of Jupiter with Venus close to the cusp of the seventh house is favourable for marriage, and denotes a very refined, handsome, and highly-cultured Princess as

his wife. The conjunction of the Sun with Saturn and Neptune in Taurus is a difficult influence to judge, but it seems to bring some notable disaster into the Prince's life, probably at the age of 33. The Prince's marriage in 1905 took place under the following directions. Asc. conj. Moon, Sun P. par Venus R. conj. Jupiter P. The



influences in the near future are not very reassuring. At the age of 30 the Sun comes to the semisquare of Mars and square of Uranus, and this is followed by the square of Mars to the radical Sun, Saturn and Neptune, while the meridian progresses to the opposition of these three planets.

The conjunction of the planets Mars and Saturn falls close to the cusp of the fourth house, while the Sun forms the square of Mars by converse motion at the age of 33.

Hence it will be seen that the outlook during the next six years is not favourable.

## Magic: Black and White.

By W. H. EDWARDS.

**M**ANY persons who read this journal probably ask the question, "What connection can there be between spiritual experiences and astrology, the science which OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER primarily puts forth as the policy of the journal?" The answer is this: As astrology is the science of the influence of the heavenly bodies on mundane affairs, and through that channel dominating the actions of individuals to the logical mind, there is a powerful co-relation between that and spiritual intervention with mortal affairs.

The most elementary knowledge of the Pythagorean philosophy quickly reveals this. To-day we adopt the Pythagorean theory of astronomy through Copernicus; and that great philosopher—who, by the way, invented the term "philosophy"—insisting on the doctrine that the heavenly bodies having by their motions caused sound, the music of the spheres was an established fact; acoustics and vibrations confirming the theory.

Modern astronomy having rejected Ptolemy's system and reverted back to the Pythagorean, it is only fair that the great philosopher's other theories bearing on the relation of astrology to spirits and their powers should also be accepted; particularly as they are testified to by spirit mediums who have intellectual intercourse with disembodied spirits at the present day. Pythagoras taught Metempsychosis—or to use the modern term—Reincarnation of souls and their immortality. The astonishing similarity between the followers of Pythagoras and the Roman Catholic priesthood causes much speculation as to the latter falling away from knowledge and the wisdom of the ancients. The followers of Pythagoras were required to be celibates and to wear their hair shaved in the centre; in both respects copied by the Catholic priesthood. But in the case of the followers of Pythagoras this shaving of the head was to symbolise their

being Priests of the Sun, as in the case of the Priests of Melchisedec who were known to have the Sun for their symbol. The works of Porphyry were written to prove that the new Christian religion was nothing but the Pythagorean religion under a new name; and their retaining the Sun symbol of shaving the head was strong evidence of the fact.

Emerson has said that "Out of Plato come all things that are still written and debated among men of thought." Now Plato was the disciple of Socrates, whom he (Plato) considered the wisest of men. Socrates was the pupil of Anaxagoras, who was born 500 years B.C., and was largely impregnated with the Pythagorean philosophy. Pythagoras was born 584 B.C., so that the descent and veneration of the Pythagorean philosophy through Anaxagoras, Socrates, Plato and Aristotle in their order, is clearly established. Pythagoras was known to be a trance medium, and stated that during one of these trances he had been three days in hell. Socrates, we know, had communications with his familiar spirit, and as there are about 27 references in the Bible to familiar and obsessing spirits, to the intelligent reader it is therefore quite clear that angels, spirits, religious worship and belief in a supreme God, was taught hundreds of years before the Christian era. It is claimed for Anaxagoras that he was the first of the Greek philosophers who taught the existence of a superior mind, distinct from, yet pervading and governing the universe.

The lives of these great philosophers clearly establish that Christianity has no claims to superiority as a religion, and that by their wisdom and following these great Greek philosophers were the literal succession of "Christs" that the "Almighty Will" in wisdom has ever sent to the peoples of the earth both before and since the time of Jesus of Nazareth.

It is not too much to say that all the great teachers of astronomy and astrology are in the first instance given their knowledge by angels and spirits. It is claimed by spirits that all modern inventions are the work of spirits through their beloved mediums or pupils, and in all these instances referred to there lies at the back of it faith in the beneficence of God as the one and only religion worthy of universal acceptance. The voice of God is to be discovered in the great principles, viz., justice, love, and truth. These are the "three in one" and the "one in three": each stands for the other two; and so that great mystery stands revealed to all who have eyes to see and ears to hear.

This, however, is not the object of my article according to its heading, you may say, but the story I am about to relate shows conclusively that magic both white and black exists to-day as it was supposed to exist in the dark ages. Black magic is the practice of dominating the wills of other individuals to the use and advantage of the black magician. White magic is undoing the machinations of the black magician and thwarting the object whenever possible. The white magician believes and relies upon helping under every conceivable stress of circumstances. He knows he must keep trying by the power he possesses, and finding those powers insufficient may then call for help from the angels of God, some of whom must answer that call. The failure of necromancy or black magic at the great crisis is always accomplished by these angels of the higher altitudes, who, all unseen by the plotters of evil, watch all the movements and ultimately effect the overthrow of evil. Good and bad luck are governed by the spiritual beings who prompt to misfortune or guard from it. In what is known as modern spiritualism the great drawback lies in the overwhelming number of what are termed "lying spirits." Many of these spirits suffer severely on learning their well-meant efforts are worthless, through themselves being deceived by other spirits. In other cases, although they are acquainted with the facts, they are prohibited from interfering by controlling spirits, who permit evil to re-

sult for definite and exacting reasons, which may be sought for by a study of the laws of consequence. The scriptural quotation of the "Sins of the father shall be visited upon the children unto the third and fourth generation" will account for the great majority of evil consequences.

On a certain day the writer was at home, when two unexpected visitors were announced who wished to consult him. They were lady and gentleman, and were announced as Mr. and Mrs. W. As soon as we were seated the gentleman began to explain they had come direct from Regent's Park, where they had visited Miss MacCreadie (a well-known trance spirit medium) whose control, "Sunshine," had told them to see me and I would tell them what to do. While in trance the controlling spirit said, "When my medium comes to herself ask her for the address of a spirit-healer who lives the other side of the water; she will send you to one living in Oxford Street, but you are not to go to him but to the one whose address she will give you." The medium having recovered, my visitors asked for the address of a healing medium, and, as the control had stated, she gave them the address of a healer (since passed over) living in New Oxford Street. They, however, explained to her what the control "Sunshine" had said, with the result that she gave them my address and they came on at once.

As soon as he had finished the explanation my hand was taken possession of, and I was made to write on my knee, where it could not have been, "Tell her she will go back to her husband; her illness is the result of the great anguish of mind she is suffering from."

I gave the message as I received it with the most impressive manner, and which was received with that utter astonishment such a startling exposure would necessarily cause. Both jumped to their feet together, the lady saying, "Oh! then you really know all about it." Again the spirit communicated, "There will be no divorce, the case will fall through and you will return to your husband," was the message I gave as given to me. Then began an explanation of the

whole case. The gentleman said the lady was his affinity ! He had found her, relations had been established between them which the husband had discovered, there had been a fracas, a police court case, and proceedings for divorce commenced. There were three children of the marriage and the home was broken up. When this recital came to an end I was instructed by my spirit control to see the lady alone in another room. I proffered the request and we adjourned to the other room. The first thing that happened was I was taken possession of by the control, who began at once to demagnetise the lady by throwing off all magnetism from her accruing from other influences, and which, as it subsequently transpired, was highly necessary. After this process was completed a full force of magnetism was injected into the brain, and the spirit kept saying as the force was thrown, in "Hate him !" "Hate him !" "See me again."

At the conclusion of the treatment the lady asked me to make an appointment without the knowledge of her companion, to which I readily assented for the day after to-morrow. They then withdrew and so ended the first act of the drama.

On the following morning I was honoured by a visit from the gentleman, who called to inform me there had been a violent altercation between them on leaving my house, the lady flatly refusing to have further companionship with him and proceeding home alone. He had called, he said, for the purpose of enlisting my services. He had to depart for America at an early date and had booked two passages, for himself and her. They did not propose to defend the divorce proceedings, but now she had thrown it all over. He went on to explain he was a doctor and a practical mesmerist. He had mesmerised her often and she was easily accessible to his influence ; but now he could do nothing with her at all. He offered to make it well worth my while to aid him. As I had fully determined to aid my spirit friends in their work of breaking up this connection I pretended to agree to his proposals, and he accordingly took his departure.

The next day the lady called and I was made the full recipient of her confidence.

Her story was briefly this : He practised mesmeric passes upon her as a doctor while residing at her boarding house. One day he watched an opportunity when she went into his bedroom, came in and forcibly outraged her, and she could never summon sufficient confidence to tell her husband. The result was an attack of erysipelas and maddening neuralgia in the head. All medical skill having failed he was induced to call on Miss MacCreadie in the hope of obtaining relief from spirit sources.

When she had finished her narrative I unfolded to her his efforts to obtain my aid, and also what she was to do. She was to go to her husband, explain the whole matter from her standpoint and also to tell him what I had said. She consented to this and faithfully carried it out, with the result that her husband forgave her and the doctor departed for America alone, while the divorce proceedings were abandoned.

About a year afterwards I was agreeably surprised to receive a letter from the husband, inviting me down to a place about 30 miles from London to visit them, as they were then happily all re-united, and wished to see me as being a factor in breaking up the fearful experiences they had undergone.

In conversation with the husband he recalled how he had seen the doctor making these passes at the back of her head, and always put down to this undue influence the wicked break-up of their home through the selfish passion of this black magician.

It is absolutely certain this act will have the gravest consequences to the seducer. The same powers that came to her assistance through me, their medium, will take care that all that woe which accrues from the deep grief of the stricken family will be fastened upon him, and they relieved from that burden. It is not generally known, but in bearing each other's burdens there is a great adjustment of such mental distresses. By spirit power can all such great woe be transferred from the injured to the injurer.

Two other similar cases occur to me, but which space will not permit me to relate.

Sufficient has been shown to prove the great battle that must ever go on between good and evil. Those who in spirit have suffered

such mortal anguish speedily answer the call for help, and, as here detailed, fight these battles of Black and White Magic.

## Birthtime by the Clock.

**A** YEAR ago an important question was raised in the pages of the MESSENGER by Mr. G. Wilde, on the subject of Local and Greenwich time (see May 1908 issue, page 150) it being a difficult matter to know in years gone by what time was taken into account in recording the births of children, as in some cases Local time was used and in others Greenwich time.

The question is, as Mr. Wilde stated, one of great importance, but it was our opinion at the time, and still is, and investigation and experience both confirm it, that Greenwich time was used in all large towns, and places where there were railway stations, *at a much earlier date than is supposed*. Mr. Wilde stated that several cases as far back as 1850 were taken as Greenwich time, but on enquiry being made it was found that true local time was used. These kind of enquiries are unfortunately somewhat unreliable, for we have found that many people even at the present day are ignorant of the difference between railway time (which is, of course, Greenwich time) and local time, and we have had cases where people even as recently as 1890 have stated their birth time was local time, when it has been found that it was railway time.

The matter is one of such great importance to astrologers and students that we have taken the trouble to go very fully into it, and have been able to obtain a considerable amount of information which we now give. With regard to villages and places where there are no railway stations, it is very doubtful whether the time is either one thing or the other, as it is frequently the practice to keep the church clock faster than the nearest railway station. In other cases the time is kept according to the post office,

and the church clock regulated by that, while in other cases true local time is kept.

In cases where there are railway stations it can be safely accepted that railway or Greenwich time is in use. In 1846, Greenwich time was universally adopted as the standard of time at all railway stations, and from then until soon after 1860 it is very doubtful in the timing of births whether Greenwich or local time was used. Our experience is on the side of Greenwich time. A large number of cases have been tested by noting directions and events, and the majority—*not all, please note*—show that Greenwich time was used. The following information on the subject of the telegraphing of Greenwich time to places will be of interest. The particulars relate to Edinburgh and Glasgow, and have been forwarded to us from a gentleman in the latter town.

*Glasgow.* The Postmaster General states "that signals were first transmitted from Greenwich to Glasgow in 1870, but before that time signals were transmitted from a clock in Glasgow Observatory to various places in the City." The Observatory at Glasgow states that "a method of communicating G.M.T. from the Observatory to the City and Port of Glasgow was proposed in 1861, and early in 1864 a system of electrically controlled clocks was introduced in the City, all clocks showing G.M.T. It is impossible to say when G.M.T. was first used in Glasgow, *but there is every reason to suppose that it was in use at least 20 years previous to 1863.*"

*Edinburgh.* The Royal Observatory at Edinburgh states "that there is no record when G.M.T. was first used. The time ball was first used in 1852, the time gun in 1861, *but there is every reason to believe that G.M.T. was used in Edinburgh at a much*

earlier date than either of these." Further information is just to hand which shows that G.M.T. was telegraphed to Glasgow for the first time on 24th December, 1863.

This, however, in no way disproves that G.M.T. was used before that date, in fact both in Edinburgh and Glasgow, according to the evidence of the Observatories, which is not to be ignored, it was in use *many years before*, and it confirms the opinion that G.M.T. was used long before it was telegraphed to the various towns.

The whole matter can, of course, be summed up under the following heads.

1. Previous to 1846 all times should be taken as local time, and the planets' places computed for the corresponding Greenwich time.

2. From 1846 to 1863, times vary, the majority being G.M.T., but it is necessary

to test all times during this period by some prominent event.

3. Since 1863 all times may be safely taken as G.M.T., and the proper correction for erecting the horoscope made.

4. The foregoing should be taken for places where there are railway stations. In villages, etc., local time should be used. Ipswich and Canterbury are notable exceptions to these rules, as these towns kept true local time until quite recently.

The matter is, however, a much more important one than may be thought, because it opens up another and equally important question, "What is the correct moment of birth?" This leads to a further important query, "Can birth times be accurately noted?"

These points must form the subject of another article.

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1	13	† 56	An unfavourable day for all purposes.
2	27	10	A good day for new undertakings, dealing with elders, but quarrels should be avoided.
3	10	41	Attend to important matters in the forenoon. Evil for all things afterwards.
4	24	36	<i>Sunday.</i> A doubtful day. Deal circumspectly with others.
5	8	44	Evil for all things in the forenoon. Social matters, visits and dealings with others in the afternoon.
6	23	1	A good day for business, travel, correspondence, and dealings with others.
7	7	24	An unfortunate day. Avoid financial transactions.
8	21	47	An evil day for all purposes. Act discreetly.
9	6	7	A good day for pleasure and journeys.
10	20	20	A very evil day for all things.
11	4	24	<i>Sunday.</i> Avoid females and disputes in the forenoon. Visit friends in evening.
12	18	17	A good day for changes, journeys, dealings with elderly people and superiors.
13	2	0	Attend to business in the forenoon. Act discreetly in all things afterwards.
14	15	31	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties only.
15	28	50	Avoid travels and disputes in the forenoon. Attend to correspondence and business in p.m.
16	11	57	An unfavourable day except at noon, when important matters should be dealt with.
17	24	52	A very evil day for all things until evening. Then attend to new work and plans.
18	7	33	<i>Sunday.</i> A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties.
19	20	1	A good day for pleasure, dealing with females and elderly people.
20	2	17	A quiet day.
21	14	22	A good day for travel, changes, new works and undertakings.
22	26	20	Ask favours and deal with superiors, but avoid disputes and elderly people.
23	8	12	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties.
24	20	4	An evil day for all purposes.
25	2	0	<i>Sunday.</i> Visit friends.
26	14	4	Attend to important matters and deal with females before 3 p.m. Travel in the evening.
27	26	22	Attend to business and correspondence, deal with superiors and travel, but avoid women.
28	8	58	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties.
29	21	57	Deal with superiors in the p.m.
30	5	21	Contradictory influences. Deal with others discreetly.
31	19	10	A doubtful day. Attend to ordinary duties.

## The Solar Revolution.

By EDWIN FORREST.

THE Solar revolution, or return of the Sun to the exact degree, minute and second of longitude which he held in the nativity, is one of the most important points connected with the science of nativities. It is no use attempting to calculate it accurately unless the longitude is taken to seconds, because if the minutes of longitude only are allowed for one minute of longitude will cause a difference of 24 minutes in the revolution and points of great significance will often be missed thereby.

The calculation of a solar revolution is a very simple matter and can be easily accomplished by anyone who can work a simple proportion sum, commonly known as the rule of three or golden rule.

Thus, suppose the longitude of the Sun at birth to have been Virgo  $23^{\circ}-15'-19''$  and the solar return or revolution is required for the year 1883.

In the Ephemeris for 1883 we find the Sun in  $22^{\circ}-16'-56''$  of Virgo on the 15th September and in  $23^{\circ}-15'-27''$  of Virgo on the 16th. It will be seen that the required longitude is only  $18''$  less than the longitude at noon of the 16th. Now between noon of the 15th and noon of the 16th the Sun moved  $58'-31''$  as may be easily found by subtraction. This is equal to  $3511''$ . Now if we state the proportion as follows we shall get the amount of time before noon of the 16th when the Sun was exactly in the required longitude.

As 3511 is to 18 so is 24 hours to the required time and it will be found to give the answer 7 minutes 23 seconds nearly.

Now since this is time *before* noon of the 16th we must deduct it from the sidereal time given on that day and we find after taking 7 min. 23 sec. from 11 hrs. 40 min. 22 sec. that we have 11 hrs. 32 min. 59 sec. left which is the sidereal time for erection of the map. We turn to the tables of houses (for London in this case) and find the cusps of the houses. Space will not allow the insertion of the complete map of the revolution, but it will be sufficient to say that we get  $22\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  deg. of Virgo on the midheaven and  $28\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  deg. of Scorpio rising.

On inserting the planets in the map to the time given we find the Sun in conjunction with Uranus in  $23^{\circ}-44'$  of Virgo, the Sun only wanting about  $30'$  to a perfect aspect, that is less than half a degree. Also Venus is with them, and all three are exactly on the cusp of the midheaven. The Moon is applying to an opposition of all three of these bodies, and Neptune has just set in the west in opposition to the ascendant. The event that occurred close to this revolution was the death of the native's mother. It occurred on the 11th August previous, when the Moon was in opposition with Neptune and separating from a square of the Sun. On the 11th of August, moreover, the Sun was only  $5^{\circ}$  distant from the longitude of Uranus at the birth, while the Moon was in the longitude held at birth, consequently Neptune was in opposition to the radical Moon. On

the same day, the 11th August, Mars was exactly in square with Uranus and therefore in square to the place of the radical Sun, which was afflicted also at the revolution itself by Uranus. Venus also on the 11th was in opposition to the place of Saturn in the natus. I think this will prove an interesting case of a revolution showing an event which actually preceded it. The primary directions in force at the time were the Moon square, Mars in the Zodiac, and the Moon Rapt Parallel Sun on the ascendant. In the event we see both the Sun and Moon afflicted.

There is a point in connection with Solar Revolutions which may prove useful to students, especially when considered together with Mr. E. H. Bailey's article on "Finding a Time of Birth." A true time of birth will always give very striking revolutionary figures for critical years of the life and fortunes. Hence the revolutionary map may be used to further the process of finding the true time of birth, which must be pretty certain when we get several revolutionary maps with the Sun in exactly the same place all related to the events of their years. The Sun averages about 3,600 seconds of longitude in a day and hence takes about 24 seconds of time to move through one second of space. Consequently these revolutionary maps afford a means of getting a time of birth true to within a minute independently of all other known methods. Since the publication of the last number of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER I have had the pleasure of an interview with Mr. Bailey and he confirms me in what I thought myself, that the idea of using revolutionary figures for this purpose is distinctly original. Although I cannot as yet unreservedly agree with all points of the epoch theory, yet Mr. Bailey has certainly made out a case for its consideration, and I think that if it be taken in conjunction with the present suggestions some very valuable results may be obtained.

There is a very useful little book on revolution maps and calculations on sale by our publisher, Mr. Foulsham, at the modest price of 1/-. It is entitled "Revolution Figures and Transits" by Simmonite, and, of course, he can supply all needful Ephemerides. I am certain that the study of this part of natal astrology will more than repay anyone for whatever pains they may bestow upon it.

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# The Mysteries of Numbers--IV.

By "NUMERATO."

**W**E now present to our readers the following very curious series of tabulations based on the multiplication of each figure 9 to 1 by 9 to 1 respectively, finding the "final digit" of each result, and adding the results of the multiplication and the final digits together. All these results are 9's and multiples of 9.

Let us take 9 first.

9 × 9	=	81	=	9
9 × 8	=	72	=	9
9 × 7	=	63	=	9
9 × 6	=	54	=	9
9 × 5	=	45	=	9
9 × 4	=	36	=	9
9 × 3	=	27	=	9
9 × 2	=	18	=	9
9 × 1	=	9	=	9

$$405 = 9 \quad 81 = 9$$

The totals of the other 8 figures are as follows:—

8	7	6	5	4	3	2
72	63	54	45	36	27	18
64	56	48	40	32	24	16
56	49	42	35	28	21	14
48	42	36	30	24	18	12
40	35	30	25	20	15	10
32	28	24	20	16	12	8
24	21	18	15	12	9	6
16	14	12	10	8	6	4
8	7	6	5	4	3	2
360	315	270	225	180	135	90

The totals of each of these tabulations yields 9.

The totals of the "final digits" of the above work out as follows:—

$$45 \ 45 \ 54 \ 45 \ 45 \ 54 \ 45$$

The final digits of which are 9.

The final digit is arrived at by adding the figures in the total until they come down to one figure; thus,  $68437 = 28 = 10 = 1$ .

Another interesting problem is arrived at in connection with the cubing of numbers.

9 <sup>3</sup>	=	729	=	9
8 <sup>3</sup>	=	512	=	8
7 <sup>3</sup>	=	343	=	1
6 <sup>3</sup>	=	216	=	9
5 <sup>3</sup>	=	125	=	8
4 <sup>3</sup>	=	64	=	1
3 <sup>3</sup>	=	27	=	9
2 <sup>3</sup>	=	8	=	8
1 <sup>3</sup>	=	1	=	1

$$2,025 = 9 \quad 54 = 9$$

Multiply 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9, by each of the first 9 digits. Here is the result.

× 9	=	1,111	111	101
× 8	=	987	654	312
× 7	=	864	197	523
× 6	=	740	740	734
× 5	=	617	283	945
× 4	=	493	827	156
× 3	=	370	370	367
× 2	=	246	913	578
× 1	=	123	456	789

The special peculiarity is that in the totals of numbers 8,7,5,4,2,1, the same nine numbers are found; though not in the same order, while in 9, 6 and 3 the first and second three figures are the same and the last three are different.

## Unseen Hands Toll Bell.

Rung by unseen hands, the church bell in the Methodist Protestant tolled as the spirit of Philip Hastings, an old respected member of the church, passed away. The bell was distinctly heard by people all over the town and occurred just 10 minutes after the death of Mr. Hastings, although the church was closed and the doors locked.

Mr. Hastings was one of the most ardent supporters

of the movement to get a bell some years ago and is said to have contributed nearly half of the needed money. It was thought that someone was ringing the bell, but the unusual sound at that time of night took several persons to the church who found the doors locked and no one near the bell, and, though a careful inspection was made, nothing to account for this remarkable occurrence.—*Detroit Free Press.*

## Birthday Influences during July.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, ☐ 24, 8 ♀. A changeable year, many worries and annoyances, gain through superiors and the other sex, but danger of losses in business. A child born on this day will be restless, erratic and changeable, inclined to be extravagant, and will gain through employers and the other sex.

2. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, △ ♀, ☐ ♂. A successful year, great improvement of circumstances, social and financial benefits, gains through elderly people, but some danger of accidents and disputes. A child born on this day will rise in life and have a very successful career, will gain through business affairs, large undertakings, elderly people, but should be careful of law and accidents.

3. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, 8 ☐, 8 ♀, △ 24. A changeable year, social and financial benefits, but loss of work, secret enmity and treachery. A child born on this day will have many obstacles in life to contend with, opposition and treachery from powerful people, but will gain through friends, and be fairly successful.

4. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, ♂ ♀, ☐ ♀, \* ♂, 8 ♀. A bad year generally, danger of accidents, changes and disputes, troubles and sorrow through females, but much activity and enterprise. A child born on this day will be rash and impetuous, erratic and independent, will suffer through females, but be energetic and enterprising, and gain thereby.

5. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, △ ♂. A troublesome year, many little worries and changes, upsets and troubles, slight danger of accident or indisposition. A child born on this day will not make much progress in life, will be best in employ, and will not rise above an ordinary mediocrity.

6. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, \* ♀, ☐ ♀. A favourable year, beneficial changes, increase of honour and reputation, improvement of position and affairs. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, serious and steady, will rise in life and have the help and approval of superiors.

7. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, 8 ♀. An evil anniversary, many troubles and losses, financial loss and danger of litigation. A child born on this day will be abrupt, selfish and very extravagant, and will suffer many losses in life.

8. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, △ ☐, △ ♀, \* ♀, ♂ ♂, ☐ ♀. A changeable year, some success and benefits in employment, but danger of accidents, disputes and litigation. Indisposition and bereavement are also likely. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, sharp tempered and sarcastic in speech, will succeed best in employment, but should be very careful in dealings with others and avoid law.

9. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, △ ♀. A doubtful anniversary, benefits through females, financial gain, but many strange experiences. A child born on this day will be refined and artistic, but will suffer much from strange experiences and have a hard struggle in life.

10. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ☐ ☐, ☐ ♀, ♂ ♀, \* ♀. An evil anniversary, ill-health, bereavement, many troubles and trials, danger of loss of employment, and disputes with others. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, erratic and abrupt, always in trouble with employers, will have a hard struggle in life and come to a wretched end.

11. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♄, △ 24, ☐ ♀. A changeable year, some social benefits, improvement of position, but sorrows and disappointments. A child born on this day will rise in life and be fairly successful, will suffer through females, and should be careful in dealings with others.

12. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♄, \* ☐, \* ♀, △ ♀. A variable year, many troubles and trials and reversal of position, but minor benefits, gain through employers and some changes. A child born on this day will have much opposition in life to contend with, but should gain in employ and through the help of superiors and strangers.

13. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♄, \* ♂. A variable year, some minor changes, little worries and annoyances, and upsets. A child born on this day will be energetic and refined, but will have a rather quiet career.

14. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♄, ☐ 24, \* ♀. A fairly successful year, some improvement of position, gain through employers, changes and success generally. Expenses rather high and some financial losses. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, will rise in life and gain through superiors, but should avoid extravagance and be very careful in monetary matters.

15. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♄, \* ♀, ☐ ♂, ♂ ♀. A changeable year, benefits through elders, travel or removals, but danger of quarrels and disputes. A child born on this day will be rash and impetuous, will gain through elders and travel.

16. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♄, ♂ ♀, \* 24. An evil year, indisposition and bereavement, domestic troubles and trials, much secret enmity, but help through friends. A child born on this day will have a hard struggle in life, suffer much at the hands of others, but will gain through friends.

17. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♄, ☐ ♀, ☐ ♀, △ ♂. Another evil year, changes, worries, annoyances and indisposition. Little success in new work. A child born on this day will be

active and energetic, but soon dispirited, often in trouble, and health and environment will prove a drawback in life.

18. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄, ♀ & ☉. A variable year, some changes and alterations in affairs, benefits through superiors. A child born on this day will be clever and original, and will gain through superiors and employment.

19. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♀. A favourable year, success in love affairs and dealings with the other sex, benefits through elders and employers. A child born on this day will be steady, serious and trustworthy, a favourite with the other sex, and very successful.

20. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏ ♀ ♄. A quiet and unimportant year, rather favourable. A child born on this day will be refined and artistic, but will not make much headway in life.

21. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄. A favourable year, changes, improvement of position, social and financial gain, and much success in life. A child born on this day will be successful and prosperous in life, will gain popularity and esteem, and may travel and engage in advanced enterprises.

22. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄. A fairly successful year, some benefits in employment, but danger of quarrels and litigation. A child born on this day will be rash, impetuous and hot tempered, with gain in life through friends and superiors, and should always remain in employment.

23. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄. A quiet and uneventful year. A child born on this day will be clever and refined, but will have a very quiet career.

24. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄. An evil year, many worries, annoyances, indisposition, danger of accident, but success in new work and enterprises. A child born on this day will be active and enterprising, but will have many evil conditions to fight against, and will meet with many reversals, but ultimate success will come.

25. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ☉, ♀ ♄. A doubtful year, some benefits, but indisposition and loss of employment. A child born on this day will be extravagant, often in trouble with superiors, and will have much to contend against.

26. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄. A successful year, changes, improvement in position, social and financial gain. A child born on this day will be clever, original, inventive, popular, and successful in life.

27. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄. Success in business, improvement of position, new work and undertakings, but some disappointments. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent, active and progressive, and should be successful in life in all enterprises.

28. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ☉, ♀ ♄. An unsuccessful year, changes and annoyances, upsets and losses. A child born on this day will be restless and unsettled in disposition, will gain through employment and superiors.

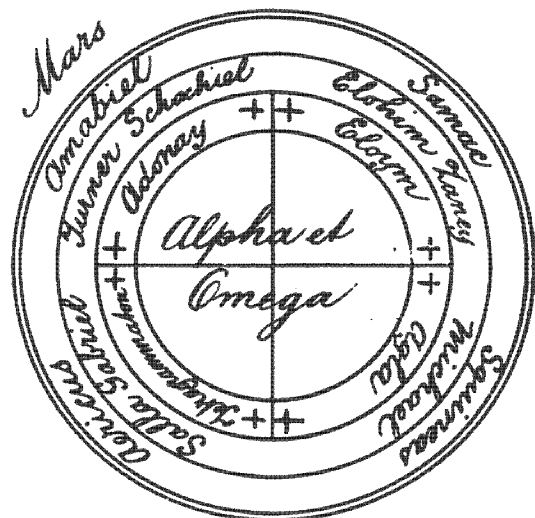
29. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄. A fairly successful year, some changes, and benefits through elders. A child born on this day will be serious and steady, careful and trustworthy, and will gain through elders and superiors.

30. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ☉, ♀ ♄. A successful year financially, but danger of disputes and quarrels. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty and impetuous, but will benefit through the other sex, and be fairly successful in life.

31. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄. An unfavourable anniversary, losses, changes and unpleasant experiences, some benefits through friends. A child born on this day will be independent, rash and impulsive, very active and enterprising, but will have many troubles and trials to contend against.

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### Talisman for the Month.



This Talisman, copied on pure parchment or engraved on pure gold and worn upon the body, will prove to be the friend of the warrior and bring success in war.

The reader can easily make his or her test as an amateur by carefully copying the above Talisman, when four planetary aspects are good (see Raphael's Ephemeris), and wearing as directed. We can supply suitable blank parchment squares 12 for 2/6 post free.

## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### X.—THE SUN.

**T**HE glorious Sun is the centre of our solar system, the point or pivot around which the various bodies which comprise our system revolve.

Besides being the centre of our system, the Sun is the largest body therein, its diameter being no less than 865,000 miles, but even this figure barely conveys an adequate idea of the vastness of this flaming orb. An express train running at sixty miles an hour would travel round the earth in about seventeen days and a-half. But so vast is the Sun that it would take the train travelling at the same rate no less than 1,888 days to traverse the circumference of this enormous body.

When compared with the earth, the difference is even more surprising, for the Sun is more than a million times larger than the earth, and more than 300,000 times heavier. But with all this, we have nothing to be particularly proud of in this enormous orb, whose radiations warm us and help to keep us alive.

For what is the Sun? Every clear night we see the heavens studded with twinkling stars. Each one of these stars is a Sun, a mighty orb actually rivalling, and in many cases even surpassing the splendour of our own luminary.

Viewed through a telescope, the Sun presents a globular surface, while here and there small dark objects called "spots" are to be seen. These spots vary in size and number, sometimes the surface of the Sun being perfectly clear, while at others it is very full, both of large and small spots. From observations made in connection with these spots it was discovered that the Sun had a rotation on its own axis of about twenty-five and a-third days.

These spots are not always the same, they change, diminish, multiply and vary from day to day. Some of them may last for weeks and months, while at times very large

spots may suddenly rise and even divide into one or two separate parts.

Another mysterious thing about these Sun spots is that their number fluctuates from year to year, and observations of the last three centuries shows that a recurrence of the maximum takes place about every eleven years. For two or three years the Sun spots are large and numerous, then the number begins to diminish and in about five or six years they are at the minimum, few being observed. The number then begins to increase and in another five or six years the maximum is again attained.

The distance of the Sun from the earth is 92,700,000 miles, a distance so enormous that a train travelling at the rate of fifty miles a hour, day and night, would take two hundred and ten years to make the journey from here to the Sun. Another idea of the huge bulk of the Sun can be gathered by placing the earth inside the Sun right in the centre of that body, and imagine the Moon to still revolve round the earth, keeping at her present distance of about two hundred and forty thousand miles. Not only would the earth be inside the Sun, but the Moon and the Moon's pathway round the earth as well, and then there would be plenty of surrounding space to spare.

But what of the heat of the Sun? It is far surpassing the fiercest furnace on earth. The vast raging Sun, contains metals floating in a state of vapour—glowing blazing gases. The interior of the Sun is believed to be formed of gases, intensely heated, and if any part be solid, it would be from the tremendous pressure caused by the weight inward of the globe, all parts of which must be dragged to the centre by gravitation.

The globe of the Sun seems to be wrapped in a kind of envelope, called the photosphere, and it seems to be composed of radiant clouds, made up of gases. These Sun clouds are of a terrific heat and give out a dazzling

glare, and they are for ever whirling and raging with such cyclones and tornadoes, that even the maddest hurricane on earth is mere child's play to the magnetic storms on the surface of the Sun.

If the Sun were to be destroyed what would happen? All the creatures on the earth would die, the oceans on earth would become a mass of ice, and a ceaseless, winter night of deathlike darkness would prevail.

## How to Find Time of Birth from Past Events

### II.—EXAMPLE.

**W**E will now give a practical illustration of the finding of a birth time from past events. First of all let me point out just one or two matters, drawn from my previous article.

1. That an estimated birth time is first found from the pre-natal epoch *only*, without any calculation from the birth date.

2. That once an estimated birth time is found, it is tested by means of primary directions to the angles, and then fully rectified by the rules laid down in the epoch theory.

The following are the particulars of the case:—Lady, born 23rd March, 1859, in London. Time unknown. Chief events: Mother died 5th May, 1864; married 9th December, 1886; father died 25th Dec., 1894.

From this date of birth we have the following:—Moon, last degree of Scorpio at noon and decreasing. Deducting backward ten revolutions of the Moon brings us to 23rd June, 1858. We therefore know that the epoch *must* fall within 14 days before this date to 14 days after, assuming, of course, that it is a full period birth.

Now a casual glance at the Ephemeris for June will show two facts.

1. That Venus and Saturn are very near together, and that there is a distance between these two planets and the Sun which would bring them into conjunction with this luminary at a certain number of days after an estimated epoch.

2. That between marriage and the father's death there is an interval of eight years, and that on the 13th June, 1858, there is an interval of eight degrees between the longitudes of Venus and Saturn.

One point must be remembered here: Marriage takes place at the age of 27 years, and the father's death at 35 years, but as we are working from the epoch, we must add one year (nine months correctly speaking) to each of these, making marriage 28 years from the epoch and father's death 36 years.

Now let us take this 13th June, as a trial epoch day. Venus is placed in 18.52  $\ominus$ , and Saturn in 26.46  $\ominus$ . June 13th, *plus* 28 days (one day for a year,) brings us to July 11th, and on that day we find the Sun in 18.49  $\ominus$ , exactly conjunction Venus, R. Eight years later the father dies, and eight days more added to July 11th, brings us to July 19th, when the Sun is in 26.27  $\ominus$ , within half a degree of Saturn, R. Taking June 13th again and adding six days—the mother died six years after the epoch—we have June 19th, and on that day Venus is nearly conjoined with the position held by Saturn on the 13th, in other words,  $\varphi$   $\delta$   $\gamma$  R.

The results of this examination have given us a very satisfactory basis, viz., that June 13th, is the estimated day of the epoch, and as the Moon on that day is within six or seven degrees of Cancer 19, we have not far to look for estimated ascendant for the birth figure. It must be either  $\ominus$  or  $\gamma$  and near the 19th degree.

Now if my readers will turn to the table of sex degrees given at end of last article, they will note that the degrees of Capricorn on either side of the 19th degree are both Male, and for this reason I reject Capricorn as the possible ascendant at birth.

I therefore turn to a table of houses for London, and find when Cancer 19 ascends,

and find that the R.A.M.C. is 23h., 19m., giving an estimated birth time of 11.15 a.m. Now as the Moon is moving 15 degrees on the day of the estimated epoch, it follows that the actual ascendant may vary  $7\frac{1}{2}$  degrees on either side of Cancer 19.

Now if this estimated ascendant is the correct one, suitable primary directions to the angles should coincide with the three events given. On the day of birth  $\downarrow$  was in 5.36, and the opposition of this planet falls in 5.36  $\approx$ . 35 degrees added to this point—equal to the native's age on the father's death—brings us to  $\times$  10, which gives  $\odot$  12, as the ascendant. This is within the limits required.

Now let us take this estimated M.C. of  $\times$  10, and see whether we can fit the other events. The mother died at the age of 5 years. 5 added to  $\times$  10, gives  $\times$  15, which shows  $\odot$  16, as the ascendant. This yields Asc. square Mercury, and as this planet is ruler of the fourth house it is a suitable direction for the mother's death. This progressed meridian is also in square with Jupiter, ruler of the tenth house, and on the day of the mother's death Mars is transitting the progressed M.C.

The native was married a few months before the 28th birthday, and if 28 be added to 10  $\times$ , it gives  $\gamma$  8. This gives an ascendant of 2  $\odot$ , which is in trine with the radical Sun. If we subtract the 28 from the estimated meridian, it gives  $\approx$  12, and an ascendant of 17  $\alpha$ , which is in trine with the radical Venus, both suitable directions for marriage. If we add 35 for the father's death we get 15  $\gamma$  on the midheaven, which yields 5  $\odot$ , as the ascendant, and this is the place of the radical Saturn, another suitable direction for the father's death.

Hence we have conclusive evidence that a horoscope with  $\times$  10 on the meridian is the correct one. Now we apply the proper process of rectification. The estimated birth time with  $\times$  10° on M.C., is 10.45 a.m. The Asc. is then  $\odot$  12, and the  $\downarrow$  is in 29  $\alpha$  6, decreasing and below. As the ascendant of the horoscope is a female degree the Moon at the epoch must be found in that point, and the Moon decreasing at birth, its oppo-

site point must rise at the epoch. The epoch falls on 13th June, 1858, at 2h. 34m. 47s. a.m., when the Moon's place at birth will be setting and the Moon will be in  $\odot$  13.4, which is the ascendant at birth. This yields a birth time of 10h. 47m. 28s. a.m., on 23rd March, 1859, within 3 minutes of the estimated birth time, first found by means of the epoch, then adjusted by primary directions, and finally corrected by the rules of the epoch.

(To be Continued.)

## Our Friendship Column.

THE object of this column is to bring together kindred spirits and open up communions which will be of lasting benefit to the participators; and, as friendship shuns disguises, we ask that in every case the name and address shall appear with the invitation. As, however, some readers may desire to make use of this column under a *nom-de plume*, we have decided to treat such requests as advertisements, for which a prepaid charge of one shilling for every two lines will be made.

### INVITATIONS.

**YOUNG** gentleman will be pleased to correspond with either sex. Sympathetic with  $\odot$  in  $\times$ ,  $\delta$  ♀ ♄,  $\Delta$  ♄,  $\star$  ♄; and the  $\downarrow$  in ♄.  $\delta$  ♄ ♄ & ♄.  $\Delta$  ♄.—Leonard Edwards, 30, Bridge Street, Hooley Hill, Manchester.

**LADY** desires to correspond with gentleman friend whose Sun is in Leo 19.57 and Moon in Virgo 22.53.—V. M. Willmott, The Elms, Great Cornard, Sudbury, Suffolk.

**A YOUNG** Man, born June 18th, would like to correspond with friends born between January 20th and February 18th—Address, I. C. W., c/o Editor, OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER, 4, Pilgrim Street, London, E.C.

**LADY**, age 47,  $\odot$  rising,  $\downarrow$  the ruler, would like correspondence with lady or gentleman interested in astrology.—H. A. D., c/o the Editor, as above.

### ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

**GIRL READER**.—We think your letter is best answered by the Friendship Column itself. Especially so, if you will read again the articles which have appeared in connection with the project. We thank you for the kindly interest you are taking.—EDITOR.

# The Problem of Planetary Influence.

By IVAN OMRICH.

**C** HERE are a large number of people in the world to-day who scoff at the idea that the planets of our solar system exercise an influence over the various departments of our lives. In America, where the so-called "New Thought" has obtained such a grip upon the minds of the people, the belief that "Man is the Master of his Fate," is gaining much favour. There can be no doubt that this statement contains a good measure of truth, more so perhaps than some of us are ready to admit. However, all sincere students of astrology are well aware that belief or no belief does not in any way divert or change the solar, lunar, and planetary forces in their united action upon human life. By right thinking and living we can, without a doubt, avoid much that is adverse, but even here all this will be shown in the horoscope. Every event in a person's life is shown in the nativity. If a certain individual is to rise superior to the environment in which he was born, take his whole life into his hands and master his fate completely, it will be indicated in the birth-chart. In support of this statement ample evidence can be had for the asking.

The wise man will seek to know and understand what the stars may have in store, so that he may extract the best out of life. He can then avoid very largely those unpleasant events that figure in the lives of all—prince or pauper.

Astrology is a practical science, containing many rich possibilities that can be applied in a large number of ways. Our fate is shown from the beginning. It can be known; all of it. How much will depend upon the skill and ability of the practising astrologer. Suppose it is an undesirable one, as often happens, and we become aware of this fact: Is there no way by and through which we can mitigate the evil? Yes, there is, but only the genuine astrologer can inform us of the means and measures to be adopted to overcome the adverse portions. To master fate is to know what to do and when to do it; where to go and when to go; what to avoid and who to avoid. For instance: It is no use taking up a vocation for which one is not adapted. It will take a long time to develop the necessary faculties to do good work, no matter how strong the ambition may be. On the other hand, if a person adopts an occupation for which he has some inclination and a certain amount of talent, he will succeed, providing he applies his abilities persistently and well. The world requires valuable products of every description, and is willing to pay well for them. To what extent the individual will succeed along his chosen line will be shown in the nativity.

In spite of all that is said about man as being "The master of his fate and the creator of his destiny," it is a patent fact we cannot all become merchant princes, prime ministers, poet laureates, or great musicians. Say what we will, our fate is

decreed at the moment of birth. At once some will say this is unfair! Why should one individual be born in a palace with all its attendant luxuries and pleasures, and another in a hovel with all its squalor and filth? One to a pleasurable career, and the other to misfortune and poverty? This is a great question which will probably permit many theoretical and feasible solutions to be advanced. Our humble opinion we will present in detail in a future article to appear in this magazine. However, as a working idea, we would briefly state that probably our present fate is the result of our thoughts, desires and aspirations in a previous existence. It is evident, therefore, that the way in which we meet the events of our present life will determine our future fate. Absolute Justice is the great Law of Nature. She gives us measure for measure; for what we sow that do we reap. This must be so, or life is a farce and the whole universe based upon chaos, which is impossible. All Nature gives unbounded evidence of harmony of design and intelligent creation, all working together with some great constructive purpose in view. With regard to Man, the great forces of evolution seem to be working with the idea of building up his individuality or character, and to aid him to become all that he can be.

The stars do not compel nor do they determine. They simply reveal what the individual will do, or how he will act, and his consequent fate, pleasant or otherwise. Astrology does not teach Fatalism. Far from it. If the individual is born to completely master his fate and fortune, the same will be shown by fortunate planetary configurations at the moment of birth. If it is indicated that the individual will remain in servitude, it is most probable that he will never feel inclined to make the effort to rise.

Some phases of the New Thought doctrine teach that Man can do anything and become anything. This may be so, but as yet we have not met a single individual with Mars powerful in his nativity who has become a saint in character; or one with Mars weak and badly placed who has made a good soldier. It is the same with the fine arts and literature, governed by Venus and Mercury respectively. After all, experience is our best and most reliable teacher. The human mind can run to a great length in its speculations upon the vital questions of human existence. What we want to-day are those who can prove what they assert with demonstrable facts.

Suppose now, you are living in a wrong locality—as indicated by your birth chart—with all your thinking, affirmations of success, will power, and right living, you do not make the headway you wish, probably the opposite is the truth. Now then, this is where the Astral Science proves its value and worth. By studying its principles you can determine what localities are ruled by the benefic planets, and therefore favourable for your progress and welfare. If you are wise you will remove into the right locality,

and what will be the result. The powerful influences of the benefics will cause all things to run smoothly, thereby promoting your advancement on a larger and better scale. Astrology is a science of prevention as well as prediction, and requires years of study, observation and experience before it can be mastered to a satisfactory degree. Then again, the predictive artist must possess a considerable degree of insight or intuitional power to make his predictions clear, distinct and convincing.

The Astral Philosophy teaches that each individual is born to fill a certain sphere in life, and only in that sphere will he be truly happy and prosper. The oak tree does not strive to become a four-footed beast, nor does the beautiful lily strive to become an oak tree. Each is content to fill its allotted place in the great scheme of evolution. We should do the same and consult a reliable astrologer, or even two professors, to find out our true place, what we may expect and what we are capable of. Then we can wisely direct our energies along proper channels, accomplishing all that we can accomplish, and be all that we can be here in this life.

## Correspondence.

27, CHARLES STREET, NORWOOD,  
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TO THE EDITOR,

DEAR SIR,—Some few months back I asked one of the booksellers in Adelaide to order me a copy of Sepharia's interesting book, "Kabalistic Astrology," and on the evening of April 8th, went in and found it had come, and was all the more pleased to have it in having had to wait so long. I find it is not altogether satisfactory ordering through a bookseller, one reason being having to wait longer for it. So in future I have decided to send myself for any book I may want. There are a few points which I would be pleased if you will make perfectly sure to me, these are in connection with the calculation of the lunar points. Supposing the lunar point has to be counted from the first place of a planet to that of another, and both planets should fall in the same house, where would the point fall in a case like this? In this case (the count not being made from the sign in which the planet is, but from the succeeding one) it is, of course, obvious that the count cannot be made from the succeeding sign. I would also like to point out what appears to me to be a mistake, viz., for the marriage point it says, female horoscopes count from Venus to Saturn; should it not be from Venus to Sun? I would like to ask also, and shall be very pleased if you will inform me, on the following. Supposing one gives a name to any particular article, would the naming have any effect on the article itself, or would it affect the person who named the article? Also, can a horoscope be given for an article? Probably you may also be able to tell me where I can procure a book entitled "The Holy Temple of Wisdom;" also have you Dr. J. R.

Buchanan's book on "Periodicity" for sale? Trusting to receive answers through the MESSENGER to these queries.

Yours faithfully,

April 25th, 1909.

JUPITER.

P.S.—April 28th, 1909. This month's issue of the MESSENGER to hand yesterday with thanks. I was interested in reading the article by W. H. Edwards entitled, "Reminiscences of a Spirit Healer," and should like to have more particulars of same.

The birthday influences for February 12th, 1909 (my birthday) I notice are these.—Friday, February 12th, ♀ in ♈, Δ ♄, ✱ ♃. A favourable anniversary, changes, financial gain, improvement of position and benefits through superiors. Calculating the "Progressed Birthday" I find it falls on March 14th, against which I read ♀ in ♌, Δ ♄, □ ♀, P ♄ and ♄. An unfavourable year, many changes and upsets, secret attacks and unpleasant experiences. Not having had much opportunity of observing birthday influences I am wondering whether these will prove correct. The first I sincerely hope will be.

JUPITER.—When the lunar point has to be counted from the first place of a planet to another planet, and both should fall in the same house, the lunar point would, of course, fall in the same house. The count is always made from the sign in which the planet is in, but that sign is not counted.

We do not think there is any mistake in the marriage point. It is impossible to give a horoscope to anything in the way you name. Please note that all communications must be addressed to the Editor on all subjects.—ED.

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY  
MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your footnote re the triple conjunction of ☉ ♀ & ♄ in the horoscope of Mr. MacIntosh, the healer, which I dealt with in the June number, you are of the opinion I stretched the orb limit too much.

I admit that 10° seems too much to allow for the conjunction of Sun and Mars, but when we remember that the Sun has a far greater orb than any of the other planets (Raphael in his guide gives it as 12° when applying) and is also in this case within some 3° of parallel declination with Mars, and as they both occupy the same sign, I am still of the opinion that the Sun's influence is conjoined with that of Mars.

My reason for conjoining the Sun's influence with that of Uranus is one which I arrived at from the study of a large number of my most intimate friends' horoscopes. Here is what I found:—

When you find three planets all in a bunch, so to speak, with the first two within orbs, likewise the second and third, the second acts the part of medium, or middle link, by transmitting the influence of the first to that of the third. We have then a blending of the three influences. This is a point worth noting, as I don't remember ever seeing it in any book on astrology.

Yours sincerely, EUODAO.

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# OLD . . MOORE'S Monthly Outlook and Forecast



AUGUST, 1909.

## New Moon.

The New Moon for the month takes place on July 17th just before eleven in the morning. It falls in the midheaven in square to Saturn and trine to Mars. The former position is evil, for Saturn is on the cusp of the eighth house, and it is ominous for Royalty and high life, deaths among titled people and nobility being foreshadowed. Some one of high position and notability will pass to the great beyond. This affliction of the Sun also affects parliament, there being deaths of members, and grave danger of defeat to the Government.

The Sun in trine to Mars shows much activity in naval and military quarters, and with Mars so close to the cusp of the seventh house there is grave danger of disputes with others. The stationary position of Mars in August just above the cusp of the seventh house will be watched with interest. There will be much mortality among the aged, strange doings among the Smart Set, honours to men of letters, and the probability of legislation affecting the fair sex. Hospitals and institutions will benefit, the state of the exchequer will improve, while the postal department and railways will have a more successful time. Colonial matters will also prove more successful.

## United States.

At Washington, Saturn is in the midheaven and Venus rising. This is evil for the President, and denotes the death of important personages. The general condition of the people will improve, and a good deal of festivity will occur. Railways will benefit, but disputes in shipping matters are to be feared. Some accidents in steam vessels being shown. At San Francisco, Mars is in the tenth house, a warning against fires. There will be many deaths among prominent men. Railways will benefit to a great measure, owing to Venus being in the third house.

## China and Japan.

At Tokio, Aquarius rises, with Mars on the cusp of the second house, indicating great expenditure in naval and military matters. There will be much sickness and mortality in the land, while foreign affairs will not be in a satisfactory condition, as the Sun ruling the seventh house is in square to Saturn. Venus, however, in the seventh will keep peace. At Pekin, Uranus is rising, with the luminaries Neptune and Mercury in the seventh house. This points to a very unrestful state of affairs among the celestials, danger of risings, internal disputes and troubles through other powers.

**India.**

At Calcutta, Mars is nearly on the nadir, and during the latter part of July it approaches this point, falling stationary thereon in August. This is ominous for the Viceroy, and shows personal danger, also deaths among prominent men, and much rioting and incendiarism. The position of the luminaries on the cusp of the eighth house is ominous, for it denotes much mortality among prominent people. The revenue of the Empire will be seriously affected.

**Europe.**

At Petersburg, Saturn will be setting, and the Sun will rule the tenth house. This shows danger to the Czar, deaths among the nobility and disputes with other powers. Accidents are shown on railways, much expenditure in naval and military matters, and much illness among the people. A crisis is threatened at Berlin, for Neptune culminates and Uranus is exactly on the nadir, while Saturn is in the seventh house. Grave disputes are threatened in the Reichstag, mortality among people in high life, activity in naval circles, and danger of disputes with other powers.

**Jamaica.**

At Kingston, Saturn culminates, and the lunation is rising. This is very evil, denoting unrest on the island, deaths among the nobility, and grave troubles to the Governor, who may suffer in health and credit. The finances of the island will improve. Some accidents to ships are foreshadowed.

**General Predictions.**

This lunation affects England, Germany, Holland, and S. Africa very adversely. Paris and Turkey will benefit. Indian affairs will be disturbed. Some festivities are shown in places under Leo, Bath, Bristol, Rome, etc.

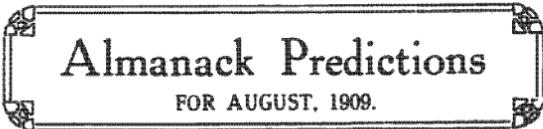
**Special Predictions.**

The rulers of England, Germany and Russia will suffer from the effects of this

lunation. The culmination of Saturn in the eastern States of America is evil for the president and Government. Mars culminates in 97 W. a warning against fires and storms in those parts. It is on the nadir in India, denoting incendiarism and danger of risings against authority. Earthquake shocks are threatened in 105 E. and 83 E., also about 13 E.

**The Stock Exchange.**

In five years Chartered of S. A. Shares will probably be worth £10 each, as the land will be saleable along the railways, and the agricultural element will be developed to feed a rapidly enlarging community. Those with spare capital should sink it for five years. Speculators on the get-rich-quick principle we never advise, as we like to make friends and not enemies. Good five per cent. investments to replace sold Railway Stocks—we now add Russian five per cent. 1908, and still advise Brazil West Minas and 1907 five per cent.; Uruguay 1896 and 1905 five per cents. There is likely soon to be a revolution in Central America, so clear out Columbians and Salvadors while they show a profit, since we advised on purchase. Sell out your Home Rails, but buy Brewery Preference Stocks.



## Almanack Predictions

FOR AUGUST, 1909.

**Raphael.**

New Moon of July 17th ominous for royalty, sickness and death in high places. Difficult questions for Government, and grave danger of war. Activity in naval and military circles, and the mobilisation of the Navy probable. Revenue, railways and post office benefit. Landed interests threatened. Much mortality among the aged and deaths among people of rank and position. Legislation affecting the fair sex probable. Hospitals and institutions benefit.

## Zadkiel.

Discontent in the land, serious depression of trade and machinations of enemies. State of Army not re-assuring. Turkey, Switzerland, and West Indies benefit from conjunction of Jupiter and Venus in Virgo. American revenue will suffer and a re-action on business in Wall Street is probable after 15th.

## Orion.

Unsettledness among working classes, increase of Socialism, friction between master and man. Commotion in Commons in regard to foreign policy, and changes in Cabinet not unlikely. Divorce court scandals, violent storms, earthquakes, colliery explosions. Disasters in Navy, collisions and wrecks.

## Old Moore.

Sickness and death in high life. Overflowing exchequer. Extension of tramcar system. Vacancy in the Cabinet. Visit of foreign Navy. Slight dispute with Continental power. Many disasters. Disaster to a printing and publishing establishment in London.

## Francis Moore.

Death in high places, among royalty and nobility, and some noted man of mature years will pass to the great beyond, and there will be much mortality among the aged. The general condition of the people improve. National exchequer shows increase. Illness in the land. Naval pageant and much expenditure in armaments. Foreign affairs unsettled. Colonial affairs quiet. Much excitement and trouble in England.

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## Astronomical Phenomena

FOR AUGUST, 1909.

### Moon's Phases.

Full Moon,	1st	...	9h. 14m. aft.
Last Quarter,	8th	...	0h. 10m. aft.
New Moon,	15th	...	11h. 55m. aft.
First Quarter,	24th	...	3h. 55m. morn.
Full Moon,	31st	...	5h. 8m. morn.

### Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Leo; enters Virgo on 23rd, 7.44 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is in Leo; in conjunction with the Sun on the 4th, enters Virgo on 18th, conjoined with Jupiter on the 25th, and an evening star at end of month.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening in Virgo, enters Libra on 23rd, in conjunction with Jupiter on 12th. This is a very interesting conjunction as the two planets are only 10' apart.
- ♂. MARS is in the first decanate of Aries, stationary on 24th.
- ♃. JUPITER is an evening star in Virgo all the month.
- ♄. SATURN is stationary in Aries.
- ♅. URANUS is in Capricorn.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer.
- ☾. The following table gives the Moon's position at noon on each day.

5, 6	Aries	19, 20, 21	Libra
7, 8, 9	Taurus	22, 23	Scorpio
10, 11	Gemini	24, 25	Sagittarius
12, 13	Cancer	26, 27, 28	Capricorn
14, 15, 16	Leo	1, 2	Aquarius
		29, 30	
17, 18	Virgo	3, 4, 31	Pisces

### The Weather.

The month enters with fine weather, thunder in places, but generally warm and fair to 10th, stormy about 4th, changeable 11th, decrease in temperature with showers about 16th, warmer and settled to 25th, stormy 26th, fine and warm to 30th, 31st unsettled.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and

relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

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# An Astrological Guide to Health, Success and Happiness

## CHAPTER IX.

### CONSIDERATIONS.

In dealing further with the subject of Happiness and its connection with the three relationships, it is necessary to point out certain essential facts in regard thereto.

In judging the question of marriage, it was not intended to give the rules for judging the character and disposition of the marriage partner and so forth, neither in the same way did we intend to judge the subject of friendships. The point in view was to show the effects of the three relationships ruled by the relative trigon of houses on the life and fortunes.

So far we have given the influences of the planets in each of the three houses. Now we give the additional information that when no planets are in any of the three houses, then the rulers of those divisions are to be considered.

Much too little attention is paid by astrologers to rulers and zodiacal positions, while aspects are given a far greater respect than is either right or scientific, hence my reason, based on experiences, for taking the three houses, the planets therein, and the rulers thereof.

Another point of importance is to consider the positions of the rulers of these houses, as the sign and house position has a great influence in regard to our subject.

For examples. The ruler of the seventh in the ninth shows a partner from abroad, or of another nationality. It also shows that relatives on the wife's side will affect the interests, either for good or evil. The partner may have a religious or philosophical tendency. Again, the ruler of the seventh in the sixth shows a partner of a lower social scale, an inferior. It may also give one who is delicate. Take the eleventh house. Ruler in the twelfth. A friend who is in reality a secret enemy. Friends among

those in obscure positions, or in hospital and institution life.

Examples like these may be multiplied over and over again. A good example of the influence of the ruler of the seventh is shown on page 49, December, 1907, MESSENGER, and students should refer to this map. The Moon applies to a trine of the Sun, but the wife died four months after marriage. The ruler of the seventh was heavily afflicted, and the directions at the death of the wife were all connected with that planet, and those which were afflicting it at birth.

In the horoscopes of the King and Queen of Norway given in July, 1908, we find the ruler of the seventh house in the ninth, showing marriage to one of another nationality. In addition to this we find that the ruler of the seventh in each was the lord of the partner's ascendant, another proof of the power of the ruler of the seventh house.

Just in the same way the planet in the third or eleventh, or the rulers of these houses, describe the friends and neighbours and their effects or influence on the life, either for happiness or the reverse.

It is impossible to give all the various combinations of planetary influence affecting these three houses, and although what has been said is more or less disjointed, it will serve as a general indication of our subject.

In the next issue we will apply the rules to the example horoscope, and show how they are borne out in the life, and add a few words of conclusion.

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## Horoscopes of Notable Men.

PROF. COATES: Mesmerist, Phrenologist and Author.

I HAVE chosen for my sketch this month the horoscope of a gentleman whose name will be well known to the readers of this magazine.

The first thing worthy of note in this horoscope is Charubel's symbol of the degree rising, and the one held by the Sun and Moon. The asc.  $29^{\circ} \approx$  indicates " . . . a person of greatfascinating power." The Sun in  $12^{\circ} \approx$  "denotes a man of mystery; a student of the mystical; a secretive person; a profound understanding; he will leave for himself a name in history." The degree held by the Moon,  $3^{\circ} \approx$  shows "one with great occult ability, and who has a mission to accomplish, a *White Magician*! Go and conquer." We shall soon see how truly the horoscope as a whole bears out those three symbols.

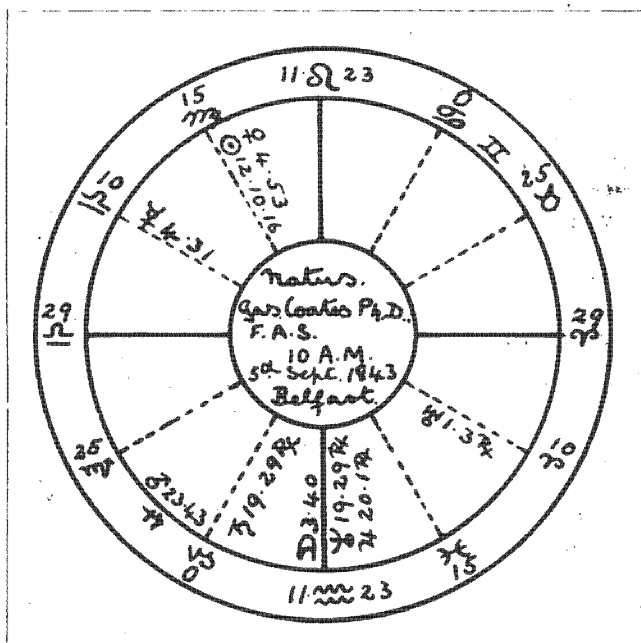
A glance at the horoscope soon makes it apparent, even to a beginner of this science, that Mr. Coates is decidedly a man of mental temperament. We arrive at this conclusion by the fact that the majority of the planets are in mental and scientific signs, and that the Gemini decanate of  $\approx$  rises on the ascendant.

As the watery element does not show in the horoscope, I should say he is a bit defi-

cient in the feelings and emotions, or they are under the strict control of the mind.

$\triangleright \Delta \nabla$  from mental signs, gives him a mind of quick perception, ability and capacity for learning. Many opportunities will come his way, and as he has the necessary application, steadiness of character, forethought, self-control and good organising

power, he will not be behind in taking full advantage of them ( $\odot \Delta \nabla$ ).  $\nabla$  in the 3rd will draw him very much to mental pursuits, where cautiousness, diplomacy, patience and secrecy are the special requirements. And as  $\nabla$  is only afflicted by  $\nabla$  in the horoscope, its influence, instead of the baneful one usually associated by  $\nabla$  in the 3rd, will be one



which will give him a mind of profound understanding, full of tact and diplomacy.

$\nabla$  in the 2nd,  $\star 4$ , shows a good capacity to earn money, but somehow or other he will find he will be unable to retain it for long: it having a melting way with it.  $\nabla$  afflicting  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla$  from the house of speculation, points to sudden losses which he will find hard to account for; and as  $\nabla$  is ruler of the 6th and 7th houses, I should judge the losses to arise through public concerns, and matters relating to health and hygiene.

The conjoined influence of  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla$ ,

however, promises him gain through inheritance, legacies, or marriage. The testimonies in his horoscope which account for his rôle as mesmerist, character reader and author, are so involved that it is difficult to single any out from the rest, and can we wonder at this when we bear in mind that these three vocations are closely allied to each other. In the January issue of this magazine, our good friend "Astrolabus," in his article on "Personal Magnetism," said: "Those born with ♃ and ♀ in aspect are pretty certain to possess this gift (personal magnetism). Even if ♃ be not in aspect to ♀, but ♀ be placed prominently in the horoscope in aspect to the ♀ or ♀, the person then born will be able to exercise great influence on others." Now, Mr. Coates has ♃ Q ♀. ♀ in ♀, \* ♀, 8 ♀. Raphael states that ♃ 8 ♀, gives mesmeric ability. Now it would seem that any aspect between those two planets gives mesmeric ability; for it cannot be denied that Mr. Coates is a past master of the science of mesmerism.

A glance at the 4th house, where we find ♀, ♀ & ♀ in ♀, the sign which turns out more character readers than any of the other eleven, speaks for itself. The position of ♀ in ♀, however, must not be lost sight of, for while the Aquarian influence shows Mr. Coates to be a natural or intuitional character reader of the first water, the Uranian influence in Aries points to the scientific weighing up of his clients. And as ♀ stands for the head, brain, or ego, hence we see the source of his phrenological ability.

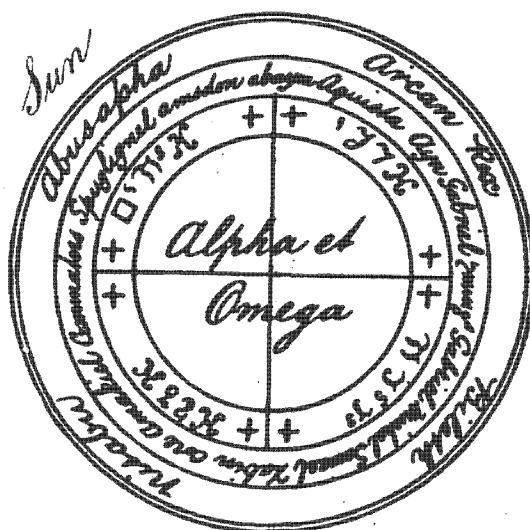
Four planets in mental signs, with ♀ rising in ♀, ♀, ♀, 8 ♀, denote not only the author, but also the orator. As a writer, Mr. Coates has the teacher's knack of imparting his ideas and methods to his readers, thanks to ♀ in ♀ in the house governing education. Whenever ♀ is found in ♀ in the 1st, 3rd, 5th, or 9th house, the native will have a very positive, original and researchful mind, fond of tackling tasks which others would shrink from. As an instance in point: Mrs. Besant has ♀ rising in ♀. But this point—unless other testimonies occur in the horoscope, such as ☉, ♀, or ♀ in ♀, or the watery signs, ♀ or ♀—will

be apt to make the native a little too "brainy," and a law unto himself.

The opposition of ♀ & ♀ and the ☉ of ♀ to ♀, does not seem to help matters, but rather points to our subject being the centre of an arena of criticism. But this will often be the outcome of his own brusque tactics, and his holy horror of opposition, control and restraint. His literary and oratorical efforts will not always meet with the praise due to them at the hands of press and public. I judge, however, that ♀ rising in the sign of balance and justice (♎) will greatly temper the explosive traits of the opposition by bringing him to the balance of reason, thereby rendering him amicable to the logical opposition of his opponents, and, while wielding a critical pen, to use the ink of logic and justice.

(To be Continued.)

### Talisman for the Month.



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## Experiences with the Spirit World.

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY  
MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—Being a constant reader of THE MESSENGER, I think the experiences I have been through in the last twenty years would be interesting to others.

I lived with my mother until she died, although we never got on well together. All my money was given to her, I never had any for myself; but I found my brother could have all he wanted.

It is now twenty years since her death, and, although she no longer could have money from me, it continued to disappear. No matter what I did, where I hid it, there was a coin missing every three weeks.

The peculiar part is that only certain coins were taken; first would go a sovereign, then a half-sovereign with a half-crown, never a half-sovereign or a half-crown alone. The five-shilling, two-shilling, and one-shilling pieces were never touched.

I actually used to make a list of each coin, with dates, etc., to try and trace them, but of no avail, they regularly disappeared. Then I bought a safe, thinking that would put a stop to it, but no, it was just as easy as before, although I never could find anything disturbed or the lock tampered with.

Now, after twenty years of locking up, watching, and setting traps for the thief, it has dawned upon me (no doubt through reading articles in THE MESSENGER) that it may be the Spirit world that is responsible for my losses.

My experience with Spirits and the Spirit world is nil, and therefore I should much like to ask Mr. Edwards (whose articles I read with much interest) his opinion on the subject, and have little doubt many others will look forward to his answer as much as myself.

Yours truly,  
T. H. S.

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY  
MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—Mr. S——'s experiences in regard to the disappearance of his coins are more common than he would suppose. It is no uncommon thing for Spirits to raid certain stores; either by impressing some medium to commit a robbery, or, on the other hand, extracting the sum needed by will force. In the last-named process the method is to dematerialise the coins, afterwards reconstructing the atoms to their normal condition. Some thirty years ago, when the vast army of Spirits were pouring out their demonstrations of spirit force for the purpose of drawing the marked attention of humanity to their visible and tangible existence, what was known as the passage of matter through matter was often given as a test of the power of Spirits over material things. It is generally held as a crime in spirit for money to be withdrawn from circulation merely for the purpose of hoarding it. To put money in the Post Office savings bank is not hoarding; as the money is invested and circulated in business, and creating wages. This is not the case when secretly kept locked away. In such cases Spirits will draw on such hordes and relieve others who are in more need, in the most unexpected way. I know of three such cases of unexpected money being discovered in the house. On one occasion a poor woman—a well-known Spirit Medium—being very much upset at having no money, was told by her control to look on the floor. She did so, and was astonished to find a half-a-sovereign. Knowing it was not her's she asked the Spirit where it come from, who answered, "I was sent to bring it to you." Some days afterwards she was telling the story to a gentleman whom she knew, and who also was clairaudient, who was able to supply the necessary explanation. His

statement was to the effect that on the night in question he was in his study counting some cash when he dropped a half-sovereign, which rolled off the table on to the floor, and which could not be found. Instead, he heard a voice say, "I have taken it for some one who needs it."

I was given to understand by the lady who received the money that the gentleman did not need the Spirit's aid in future when she happened to be short of cash. As he naively put it "when he paid it himself he was able to keep his books in order." Now the taking of the one coin was to bring them together so that he should voluntarily give the help that he was well able to afford. I have myself been the recipient of a sovereign in my locked drawer when I am prepared to make any affidavit, no such coin was in the house; and which was badly needed. The late Doctor Mack had a very valuable gold mounted umbrella, which had been publicly presented to him, and which he greatly prized. I had the honour of being entrusted by him with his wife's case, which necessitated them visiting my house, when the umbrella mentioned was brought into my study and deposited by the corner of my desk. On rising to leave, the umbrella had completely vanished, although no one had entered, nor had anyone left the room. The search we made would have discovered a match, let alone an umbrella. Personally, I had not noticed the placing of the umbrella, or indeed, that any umbrella had been brought in at all. Finally Dr. Mack and his wife took their departure without the umbrella. Two days afterwards they again visited me, and on their arrival I accompanied them into my study which I had not previously entered that day. Dr. Mack immediately said, "So you found my umbrella then?" on seeing an umbrella hanging by its hook to the back of the chair and across the front of the seat in the most prominent part of the room. Sure enough there was his umbrella, but no soul in my house could give any explanation of its appearance and disappearance. However, as Dr. Mack and myself had had similar experiences on previous occasions, we came to the conclusion

our Spirit friends had given us this bit of evidence of their presence and power. On another occasion a locket I very much valued was missing for six weeks, which contained the hair of one who had passed on to the higher life. This Spirit communicated with me on a particular occasion when I mentioned the loss of the locket. I was told the locket was in her possession, as I appeared not to value it. On my requesting its return I was promised it should be sent to me. An idea struck me; here was a good opportunity for a test. I thereupon asked that the locket should be projected on to my watch chain; after a little silence this was agreed to. My watch was in my waistcoat pocket, hanging on the bed rail. On the Spirit saying good bye, I reached for my watch and found the locket affixed to my chain.

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## What is the Time of Birth?

**I**N our article on the subject of Birthtime by the Clock, we stated that the subject opened up another important point, viz., "What is the correct time of Birth?" and from this, a still more important point, "Can birth times be accurately noted?"

These two points are far more important than astrologers seem to realise. It appears to be the custom among the majority to put up horoscopes in a slipshod manner, ignoring the corrections between mean and sidereal time, difference of longitude and latitude, etc., and it is not to be wondered that astrology comes into disrepute when the one essential factor is wilfully ignored. I say "wilfully" because the correct rules for erecting horoscopes have been given by two or three of our most prominent writers, while other astrologers, equally as well known, still prefer to go on in their careless and unscientific manner.

The actual and exact moment of birth is the essential factor in calculating horoscopes, both for judgment and for the computation of directions. There are several points in every horoscope which require most minute calculations, and unless they are accurately determined, correct judgment cannot be given.

Now comes the point in debate. "What is the correct time of Birth?" Some say the first breath, others the first cry, others the appearance of the head, while others maintain that the separation of the umbilical cord is the true time. I am prepared to add a fifth interpretation. The time of birth is the exact psychological moment when the child is capable of a separate existence. This moment usually occurs with the first breath, which is often—not always—accompanied by a faint cry, and this may occur either before or after the actual delivery of the child.

The separation of the umbilical cord has

nothing to do with the actual moment of birth.

Now this leads us to the other question, which is, as mentioned, a still more important one: "Can birth times be accurately noted?" The answer is an emphatic NO. How many doctors or nurses note the exact time of a birth? Ninety-nine per cent. of births are given for the nearest five minutes. Surely births occur at every minute of the day, and therefore is it reasonable or logical to suppose that the odd five minutes of the hour are the only accurate times of birth? It is safe to say that there is not a single birth time recorded which is exact. Even if the most careful attention is given to the case, if the watch is timed to Greenwich, it is not possible to determine the exact birth moment.

My authority for this statement can be verified by anyone who cares to go through old astrological magazines. I quote several cases. The birth time of King Edward VII. is recorded as nearly twelve minutes later than what it really was. Morrison (Zadkiel I.) interviewed the doctor in attendance and obtained the information. The horoscope rectified yields a time in accordance with the doctor's statement. The horoscope was given in No. 1 of the MESSENGER.

The birth time of the Late Empress Frederick of Germany was given as ten minutes to two in the afternoon, but the birth was known in the Council Chamber nearly ten minutes before. This horoscope was rectified by Morrison to 1.42, or eight minutes earlier.

The eldest son of the Prince of Wales was reported to be born at 10 p.m., but the birth was known in the anteroom several minutes before, and the rectified time is eight minutes earlier.

Leaving Royalty, a case was known where the doctor stated the birth to have occurred at twenty minutes to two. The father in

the room below heard a cry at 1.32 a.m., eight minutes before, and rectification confirmed this time within a few seconds.

Scores of cases similar to this can be found, and they all go to prove that no birth

time given on the authority of a medical man, even though intentionally noted as correctly as possible, can be taken as absolutely correct, and it is therefore essential that every one must be rectified.

## Old Moore's Table Talks on this Wonderful Universe.

### XI.—THE MOON.

**W**E are now on our return journey to Mother Earth, and our last stopping place is the Moon. What is this silvery orb to which we owe so much? Merely a dead world. A world once like our own, with continents and oceans, hills and dales, but now lifeless, its internal fires burnt entirely out.

Those of my readers who have not read "The Honeymoon in Space," by Mr. G. Griffith, will be repaid by doing so. The following extracts will give some idea of what the Moon is like:

"The plain itself was a scene of awful and utter desolation. Huge mountain walls, towering to immense heights, and enclosing great circular and oval plains, one side of them blazing with intolerable light, and the other black with impenetrable obscurity; enormous valleys reaching down from brilliant day to rayless night—perhaps into the very bowels of the dead world itself; vast grey-white plains lying round the mountains, crossed by little ridges and by long black lines, which could only be immense fissures with perpendicular sides, but all hard, grey-white and black, all intolerable brightness or inky gloom; not a sign of life anywhere; no shady forests, no green fields, no broad glittering oceans; only a ghastly wilderness of dead mountains and dead plains."

"Dotted here and there were the shining points and ridges of light marking the peaks and crater walls which the rays of the rising Sun had already touched. Before them and to the right and left rose a vast maze of ragged, splintery peaks and huge ramparts of mountain walls enclosing plains so far below their summits that the light of neither Sun nor Earth ever reached them."

There are few people perhaps who have any idea what we really owe to the Moon. What would happen if the Moon disappeared. There would be no tides. Everywhere would come the same cry. Ships in dock would have to remain there, ships outside would not be able to come in. The entire seagoing world would be paralysed.

Worse things than that would happen, for the tides are the world's scavengers, and the result of the loss of the tides would be epidemics of disease, fevers, plague and pestilence.

A few facts about the Moon are now given. She is 2,160 miles in diameter, and 50 Moons rolled into one would equal the earth. The mean distance of the Moon from the Earth is 240,000 miles, but it varies about 20,000 miles on each side.

One peculiarity about the Moon is that it only shows one side of its orb to the earth, and this shows that its revolution on its axis is equal to its revolution round the earth.

There are no clouds or atmosphere on the Moon, no mists or vapours, and whenever the Moon is visible, the features of our satellites surface are clear and distinct. This has led our astronomers to the conclusion that the surface of the globe is a sterile and waterless desert.

Another essential of organic life is absent from the Moon. Our globe is surrounded with a deep clothing of air, extending to many miles outwards. But with the Moon it is quite different. There is no atmosphere, no air, consequently there is no sound, nothing except an absolute deathlike stillness. Everything on the Moon is subject to alternations of heat and cold, heat so terrific, cold so intense, that anything with life would be withered in an instant.

## How to Find Time of Birth from Past Events

### III.—ANOTHER EXAMPLE.

NOW proceed to give another illustration of the calculation of a birth time from past events by mean of directions from the epoch. The particulars of the case are as follows.—Male born at Lincoln, 7th April, 1869. Father died 24th February, 1888. Mother died 2nd March, 1908.

The nine months period brings us back to 8th July, 1868, and the epoch falls within the fourteen days preceding or following this date. The Moon being decreasing at birth, the opposite point will be rising at the epoch.

A little examination of the ephemeris for this period will show that the Sun will form a square of Saturn about 45 days after the above date, and the mother died 40 years after the epoch.

Reference to the 24th August, 1868, shows the Sun just past the square of Saturn, and the Moon square Sun and conjunction Saturn. (Note: I do not take the date on which the square of the Sun and Saturn is complete, but on the day when the Moon by direction aspects the two major significators. This is a very important point.)

Now measuring backward 49 days from August 24th, we come to July 15th, and the Moon on that day is in 23° Taurus at noon.

We will take this, therefore, as an estimated date for the epoch. It yields the direction of Sun square Saturn for the mother's death, and it also shows that 20 days after, counting 20 years from the epoch for the father's death, equal to August 4th, the Moon in Aquarius close to the square of the estimated Moon and Saturn, and conjunction or opposition ascendant, all from the epoch.

We need not look to the epoch for further confirmation. We can take July 15th as the estimated epoch, and 23 Taurus as an approximate ascendant.

Capricorn 22 is the meridian for this ascendant, and if we add 19 degrees to this for

the father's death we come to Aquarius 11, which gives Gemini 19, ascending. Saturn is in Sagittarius 17, *two degrees short*.

We know that we can vary our ascendant seven degrees on either side, so we put the meridian back to 20 Capricorn, and adding the progress for the 19 years, we get Aquarius 9 on the M.C. and Gemini 17. Ascending an exact opposition to Saturn.

By adding the progress for the mother's death we obtain 28 Aquarius on the meridian, and 21 Capricorn on the cusp of the eighth house. Saturn's radical position is exactly on the eighth cusp at the estimated time, and at the progress the meridian is conjoined with that degree. Hence we have the direction of Saturn conjoining M.C. for this event.

This estimated figure seems to supply what is required, so we make the rectification in the usual way. The resultant figure gives 20-27, Taurus rising, the epoch being one controlled by the sex degrees. The exact birth time is 6h. 29m. 40s. a.m., Greenwich time.

Now these two cases will show the simplicity of the process. I say "Simplicity," but only to those who are versed in the art of primary as well as secondary directions.

This example—and hundreds of others that can be brought forward—shows that the ordinary secondary directions do not always account for the major events of life, and unless the epoch is taken into consideration, directing is useless.

Take this example and see what directions are operating for the death of the father at the age of 19. The progressed date is April 26th, and we find *no* major aspects of the Sun at all. Certainly the Moon is in opposition to the progressed Sun and Venus, but neither of these two rule the tenth house, and the Moon's position by progress is in the sixth house. These lunar directions have no connection with the event, and it is quite impossible to connect them in any way with it.

The direction of the asc. oppos. Saturn, Saturn ruling the tenth house, was the direction which produced the event, and there are no secondary directions whatever to account for it.

In the next issue, I shall have more to say on this interesting subject, as from correspondence received, there appears to be some erroneous impressions in the air in relation to this subject of rectification and finding the birth time from events.

## Our Friendship Column.

THE object of this column is to bring together kindred spirits and open up communions which will be of lasting benefit to the participants; and, as friendship shuns disguises, we ask that in every case the name and address shall appear with the invitation. As, however, some readers may desire to make use of this column under an assumed name, or by the use of initials only, we have decided to treat such requests as advertisements, for which a prepaid charge of one shilling for every two lines will be made.

### INVITATIONS.

**LADY**, ♀ rising, ☉ in ♊ 17°, ♀ in 24°, would like to meet gentleman with ♀ rising, ☉ in ♏.—A. Sz., c/o the Editor, OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER, 4, Pilgrim Street, London, E.C.

**C. K. B.** Gentleman, born 10.45, Jan. 26, 1867, would like to cultivate friendship with a lady born between May 22 and June 21, or Sept. 24 and Oct. 23, or gentleman under favourable astrological aspect.—c/o the Editor as above.

**LADY**, born June 22nd, 1887, would like to correspond with gentlemen friend, Sun in Scorpio or Pisces.—Miss Jessie Knox, 16, Polygon Road, Bedford Place, Southampton.

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## The Great Allegory.

Long ages since, Old Homer sang, that Royal Queen hurled—  
Her Son, far into space, until he reached this world;  
He hinted at his fate, and the reason he was spurned,  
But left futurity to find, what passion in him burned.

Heaven's naked outcast, undismayed, for garment chose a lion's skin,  
And in it wandered forth to find, the mystery of his kin;  
He travelled over deserts wide, and far through forest shades,  
Until he found Victoria Falls, in Afric's sunny glades.

That cascade awed his soul, with its wild majestic grandeur,  
There the Great Celestial Spirit, breathes upon the fleecy vapour;  
As clothed with colours rare, comes that bright angelic force,  
Which weaveth still the web and woof, of times eternal course.

The mighty power of thought, is the shuttle of their Skill,  
They plan and form the pattern, its threads desire and will;  
The form of lovely maiden, and the petal of the rose,  
From formless mass, they fashion—from by-gone wrongs and woes.

The Lion King watched closely—love's dance of glorious radiance;  
Day by day, with humble mind, he listened to its cadence;  
He grasped eternal wisdom's scheme, revealed by book of nature—  
Saw greater mind than man, had planned for all the future.

His heart burned with desire, to teach mankind the way,  
How from contending elements, comes the great eternal day;  
He worked in vain, for passion in iron fetters, bound man then—  
A mighty rushing torrent—only thought can stay or stem.

Man then loved self—there's still no difference in the race,  
It is a tangled mystery, unchanged by time or space;  
Man builds a phantom world, forgetting he can only be  
By his own will and effort, master of his destiny.

Glasgow.

JAMES MAILER.

## Birthday Influences during August.

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♄, 8 ☉, 8 ♄. \* ♂. A changeable year, some benefits, but trouble through superiors and loss of employment. Health will also suffer. A child born on this day will be active and enterprising, but should always remain in employ, as the influences point to many troubles and worries right through life.

2. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♄, \* ♀. A more successful year, improvement in position, gain through superiors and elderly people, new responsibilities and favourable changes. A child born on this day will make good progress in life, be successful in employment and business, trustworthy and popular, and rise in life.

3. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♄, 8 ♀. An unfavourable year, with ups and downs, grief and disappointment, some indications of bereavement. A child born on this day will make little progress in life, be unfortunate in financial affairs and should be careful in dealings with the other sex.

4. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♄, ♄ ♄, \* ♄, 8 ♄. A successful year, new works and undertakings, favourable changes, social and financial benefits, and improvement of position, but some extravagant tendencies. A child born on this day will rise in life, and be very successful, original and of advanced ideas. The chief evil is extravagance and ostentation.

5. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♄, ♂ ♂. A dangerous anniversary, indisposition, danger of accidents, disputes and litigation. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, impetuous and hot tempered, will have many troubles in life, and will be to a great extent the cause of his own misfortunes.

6. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♄, ♄ ☉, ♄ ♄, ☉ ♄, ☉ ♄, ♂ ♄. A contradictory year, good benefits from superiors and in employment, but unfavourable changes, upsets, reversals and indisposition. Many home troubles. A child born on this day will be clever and popular, but have many troubles to contend with, health and environment being a drawback to success.

7. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♄, ♄ ♄, ♄ & ♄. A variable year, some financial benefits and improvement of position, but danger of indisposition and bereavement. A child born on this day will be successful in life, but health and environment will have a depressing influence upon him.

8. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♄, ☉ ☉, ☉ ♄, \* ♄, ♄ ♄, ♄ & ♄. A successful year, changes, improvement in position, benefits in employment, but slight indisposition and troubles through young people. A child born on this day will be popular, intuitive and original, will rise in life, and

gain through superiors, but will have some troubles, especially through letters and domestic affairs.

9. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♄, \* ♂. A successful year, activity, new work and enterprises, and favourable changes. A child born on this day will be clever, intelligent and very active, and should be fairly successful in life.

10. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♄, ☉ ♄, ☉ ♄, \* ☉. A very unsettled year, losses, changes and annoyances, some benefits through superiors. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, unsettled and restless, and should always remain in employ.

11. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♄, \* ♄, \* ♄. A successful year, changes, new responsibilities, improvement in affairs. A child born on this day will be clever, steady and very trustworthy, and will gain the approval of elders and superiors.

12. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♄, ☉ ♂. An unfavourable year, danger of accidents and indisposition; disputes and litigation should be guarded against. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty and hot tempered, often in disputes and trouble and will have much to contend with in life.

13. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♄, ♂ ♄, 8 ♄, ☉ ♄, \* ♄ & ♄. A variable year, some unexpected changes, upsets and annoyances, but social and financial benefits, and danger of indisposition. A child born on this day will be wayward and erratic, often in trouble, and except for the help of friends would have a rough time in life.

14. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♄, ♄ ♂. An unsettled year, some changes, danger of disputes, but much activity and progress in affairs. A child born on this day will be wayward and wild, rash and impetuous, but very active, energetic, and enterprising.

15. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♄, ♂ ☉, ♄ ♄. An unsettled year, some benefits through others, but probability of an important change in circumstances. A child born on this day will be mediumistic, intuitional, and will gain in some sudden and remarkable manner through strangers, or by will or legacy.

16. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♄, ♄ ♄. A favourable year, improvement in position and circumstances, new responsibilities, and much success in affairs. A child born on this day will rise in life to a position of some honour and celebrity, will be popular, trustworthy, steady and serious, and gain much in life.

17. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♄, ♂ ♄. A changeable year, but generally successful, gain in business and employment, and much pro-

gress. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, will gain through employers, and should adopt a mental occupation for success.

18. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A successful year, good for marriage with either sex, social and financial benefits, improvement in position, favourable changes, and much success. Some little danger of indisposition. A child born on this day will be clever, talented and successful, with rise in life and be popular and respected, but will have to safeguard health at times.

19. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀. An unfavourable year, danger of accident, disputes and litigation. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, liable to injuries and legal troubles and should be very guarded in dealings with the other sex. If a female, liable to disgrace.

20. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. Another evil anniversary, changes, worries and indisposition, danger of accidents and disputes. A child born on this day will be restless and unreliable, hasty and impetuous, and in danger of trouble through the opposite sex. If a female, should guard her honour.

21. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A changeable year, many worries and annoyances, but benefits through superiors, also socially and financially. A child born on this day will be successful in business and employ, but should guard health and be careful in dealings with elderly people. Much hindrance will be experienced in life.

22. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀. A quiet year, some business successes, and favourable changes. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, success in employ and will gain through superiors.

23. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A successful anniversary, favourable changes, improvement in position and affairs. A child born on this day will be active, clever and intuitive, successful in life and popular.

24. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A changeable year, some successes, financial and social, but many little worries and drawbacks. Indisposition should be guarded against. A child born on this day will be energetic and active, a favourite with the other sex, but should always remain in employ and safeguard the health.

25. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. An unfavourable year, unpleasant changes and unrest, but gain through elders and employment. A child born on this day will be restless and abrupt, very unsettled in life, but will gain through elderly people and should always remain in employ.

26. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A changeable year, unexpected troubles, disappointments and sorrow, but gain in employment. A child born on this day will be careless and untidy, very unsettled and unconventional, but will gain in employment and through superiors.

27. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. An evil year, danger of accidents and indisposition, unfavourable changes and much unpleasantness. A child born on this day will be rash and ungovernable in temper, often involved in troubles and trials and will have a very hard struggle in life.

28. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A changeable year, success in work, danger of indisposition, social benefits, but trouble through opposite sex. A child born on this day will be clever and popular, but will have many drawbacks and hindrances in life and will suffer through the opposite sex.

29. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. Another variable year, many little worries and annoyances, but new undertakings and financial gains. A child born on this day will be refined and artistic, energetic and active, but will have numerous petty troubles and trials to contend against.

30. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A contradictory year, benefits in employ and through elderly people, but slight danger of accidents and sudden and unexpected changes. A child born on this day will be steady and trustworthy, but very changeable at times. He will not make much success in life.

31. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♀ in ♉, ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀. A changeable year, danger of ill-health, bereavement and loss of work, but favourable changes and benefits through others are shown. A child born on this day will have much to contend with in life, should always remain in employ, and be careful to lay by for a rainy day.

## How to Use Ephemeris for American Time.

The difference in time between Greenwich and New York, Washington, Boston, Philadelphia, or any of the seaboard places from Maine to Virginia, is about five hours. Greenwich time at noon would make it seven o'clock in the morning at these places, and this difference will cause some alteration in the planets' places.

Take the Sun. Moving on an average of about one degree a day, or two and a half minutes an hour, and for five hours, would be twelve minutes, plus. Hence that must be added to the Sun's longitude and calculated for the above places.

The Moon. The difference will amount to degrees, and therefore is much more important. The Moon moves twelve degrees a day, one degree every two hours, and for five hours, would be two degrees and a half, which must be added to her longitude.

In the cases of Neptune, Uranus, Jupiter and Saturn, their motion is so slow that they can be reckoned for ordinary purposes on Greenwich time.

Mars, Venus and Mercury must be calculated more exactly, which can easily be ascertained by noticing how much the planets move in one day from the Ephemeris, and then taking the proportionate part of the day for the gain or loss of time.

## The Uses of Adversity.

By DR. ALEXANDER J. McIVOR-TYNDALL.

"BLESSED are the uses of Adversity!

"If adversity, sorrow, disappointment and all the phases of experience which beset the path of Mankind were at once obliterated from the Scroll of Life, what would be the result?

"The miser would become more miserly, the arrogant more overbearing, the dishonest man more indifferent to his fellows.

"Each day that I live I see more and more fully the blessings of adversity.

"While we go on in the full enjoyment of health and luxury on the material plane, with our lives filled with the social pleasure, with business successes and with the robustness of mere animal healthfulness, with all our wishes fulfilled, and our ambition unthwarted, how can it chance that we shall escape the hypnotism of the senses, building our houses upon the sands of the Changing and the Mutable?

"Some there are who are born into the world with their souls bared to the crudity and the hate-force which is generated in Man's contact with his fellows. To such as these the 'slings and arrows of outrageous fortune,' the scoffing disbelief, the shafts of misrepresentation and all uncharitableness are a thousand times worse than the want of food, and who can estimate the degree of suffering which they must compass before they shall have reached the Heights whereupon dwell only the Wise and the Generous.

"But it is well that in their journey through the material and changing they learn the fallacy of dependence upon mere human appraisal. It is well that they meet the scoffer and the ignorant, that they may turn from mere human sympathy to the inner consciousness which is sufficient unto itself in matters of praise or blame and understanding, because we progress to the greater only by finding the lesser unsatisfying, unsympathetic and unstable.

"New Thought people of all classes and in all the varying phases, are 'demonstrating' for health, and happiness, and prosperity. With these, surely we should have Heaven. But let us see what the prospects are for universal harmony.

"The Christian Scientists are a class of New Thinkers by themselves. They demonstrate all the desirable things in life for themselves—at least they try to, like the rest of us—and they are shut up in a shell of self-suggestion's own make, and they 'grow not, neither do they sin,' if I may paraphrase a much-respected saying.

"All along the line we find these little cults holding themselves aloof, as the Pharisees of old, with their self assurance of dawning perfection, never dreaming that perfection lies not in exclusion from contact with adverse conditions, but in being able to meet adversity with confidence and good will, thanking the dark-faced Priestess for the lessons she teaches.

"A few months ago I met a man in California

whom I had known in former years as one engrossed in the accumulation of dollars. I chanced to know that in his dealings with those whom he employed he was not only close, strict and penurious, but he was heartless as far as sympathy or kindness is concerned.

"A man had been injured for life in this man's service, and he had not only refused the injured man any indemnity, but had not given him a penny over his wages up to the time that the accident had deprived him of the means of earning his livelihood.

"But, during the years that had intervened between that time and the present meeting, the chastening rod of Adversity had entered the rich man's soul, and the hardness had gone from his life, and from his face. The soft spot in his nature, his little daughter, had been afflicted with what the physicians had called an 'incurable disease,' and in his anxiety to find some means of restoration to health, he had neglected his business, had paid large sums to specialists, had taken her to Europe, and had at length come home, where the child-life went out into the vast Unknown, leaving the father with his ambitions dissolved into nothingness like the bubbles that they were, and dollars spent even to the last penny.

"Ruined," some of his old friends called him.

"But the man was far from ruined. For the first time in his life he was not ruined. For the first time in his life he was not a spiritual bankrupt. For the first time in his life he could write a sight-draft on the Bank of Individual Progress, and not have it returned worthless.

"The last I saw of him, he was driving a truck wagon, but his face was illumined with a consciousness of the reality of the immortal life, and the sympathetic understanding of his fellow beings, without which a human life is poor, indeed, however large may be the estimated wealth.

"Blessed are the uses of adversity.

"I knew a woman once whose idea of virtue lay in the possession of a marriage certificate.

"Like Goethe's Marguerite, her voice was loudest, her accusations the most bitter, when some sister had been unfortunate in loving 'not wisely but too well,' according to the world's standards of what constitutes wisdom. Not an individual, nor an original code of morality, to be sure, but one very generally held by many 'good' women.

"Doubtless, there was an underlying spirituality in her nature, which had been chained and imprisoned by her environment, her traditional education and so-called 'religious' training, and because of this latent tendency to higher ideals, Adversity marked her for enlightenment. She had a daughter, a charming, loving-hearted, thoughtless young creature and a logical target for a conscienceless man. Under the conditions, the inevitable occurred. The girl was enticed from home without the aid of a marriage license, and the mother was broken-hearted with

disgrace, and the ruination of her fondest hopes, which were centered upon the daughter making a 'brilliant' and honourable marriage.

"But from the broken heart there emerged a full-fledged soul, and the daughter's temporary sacrifice 'saved' the mother from the hypnotism of faith in mere appearances, and anchored that faith where it belongs, in the reality of All-good.

"There is an old hymn that embodies a wonderful truth. It goes something like this:

"They had each heard a voice—  
'Twas the voice of their God—  
'I love thee, I love thee,  
Pass under the rod.'"

"The 'rod' typifies individual Harmony with the

Cosmic Law which makes for a larger, broader and higher consciousness than that which determines our merely physical environment. It is Love, and only Love, that actuates Adversity, when we need some lesson in Progression, and we must pass under the rod, or law.

"The time may come when human nature shall be so perfected, so comprehending, and so broad and brave, that Adversity will be 'out of a job,' so to speak, but from present indications, the day is still some distance away.

"In the meantime, let us be grateful for the unselfish zeal with which the ancient dame, Adversity, belabors us. Her blows are like a dash of cold water. They make us 'sit up and take notice,' and when we do that we are in a fair way to knowing something to our advantage."—*The Swastika.*

## The Mysteries of Numbers--V.

By "NUMERATO."

**W**E will leave the number 9 and its powers, and solve some further interesting problems in connection with the other numbers. We will begin with 8.

(a) If 8 be multiplied by itself and the result by 8, the final digits will be 1 and 8. Let this multiplication be continued; continue multiplying each result by 8, the final digits of each result will still be 1 and 8.

(b) Square 8, the final digits of the result is 1. Square the square of 8, the result is again 1; square this result, and again the final digit is 1. This may be carried on indefinitely.

(c) Cube 8, the result is 512, the final digit is 8. Cube 512, the total of the figures in the result is  $35 = 8$ .

Now take 7.

(a) Multiply 7 by itself and continue multiplying each result by 7. The final digits of the results run in sequences of 4, 1 and 7.

(b) Square 7, and continue to square the results, the final digits run in sequences of 4 and 7.

(c) Cube 7, and continue to cube each result, the final digits in each case is 1.

The same process applied to 6, yield: (a) 9, (b) 9, and (c) 9. The same three processes applied to 5, 4, 3 and 2, yield the following final digits:

	(a)	(b)	(c)
5	7, 8, 4, 2, 1, 5.	7, 4.	8, 1.
4	7, 1, 4.	7, 4.	1.
3	9,	9.	9.
2	4, 8, 7, 5, 1, 2.	4, 7.	8.

Another strange series is to be seen in the following:

Multiply 7 by 9, then the result by all the numbers down to 1, *except* 7, and the sum of the digits will be 9.

The same process with each number, multiplied by 9, and the result by all the other numbers down to 1 except the original number—will yield the same result.

Here is a still more astonishing result:

Take the cubes of the first ten numbers; find the differences between them. This will yield nine numbers, the final digits of which are in the following order: 10, 10, 7, 10, 10, 7, 10, 10, 7. The total of these digits is  $81 = 9$ .

The sum of the cubes of the first ten numbers equal  $3,025 = 10$ ; the sum of the differences between each is  $999 = 27 = 9$ .

The sum of the differences between the squares of the first ten numbers is  $99 = 18 = 9$ .

In the next issue, the last of the series, we shall introduce some novelties in calculating. In the new volume which starts in October, it is proposed to deal with the mysteries of numbers from an occult standpoint.

## Reviews.

A MANUAL OF CARTOMANCY AND OCCULT DIVINATION; including The Oracle of Human Destiny, Mystic Alphabet of the Magi, The Golden Wheel of Fortune, The Art of Invoking Spirits into the Crystal, various other methods of Divination. By Grand Orient. 4th edition, enlarged, with plates. Price, post free, from THE MESSENGER office, 2s. 10d.

Messrs. Rider & Son have now re-issued in splendid form this long out of print work. To show how

well the whole work has been launched we give one illustration. The Golden Wheel, and an epitome of the contents: The Lesser Secret Sciences and Traditions, Nine hundred answers to the Thirty Life questions of Pythagoras, The Egyptian Fortune-telling Methods, English Systems, An Universal Oracle, The Book of the Secret Word, The Higher Way to Fortune, Lucky Dice Numbers, Character Reading by Cabalistic Methods, Mathematical Fortune Telling, Telling any Person's

Age, Astrological Prediction, Judgments from Moon's Age, Virtues and Influences of Precious Stones, Some Unheard of Curiosities, The Hours, Virtues and Colours of the Planets, The Art of Ruling by the Law of Grace, Fatality of Days and Places, Fatal Presages, Lucky and Unlucky days of any Month in the Year, Time and Seasons, A Lexicon of the Divination, Art of Divination by Dreams.

When it is considered that the contents enumerated originally filled perhaps two or three pounds worth of books, it is hardly necessary for the Editor to descant on such a bargain, for the low price fixed, and in quite elegant form for any library or table.

The work cannot fail to interest many scores of our readers; and be it either for research, for study, or amusement, it will more than satisfy in each direction. It also fully explains the Tarot Cards in all, and when we realise that "The Book of the Tarot" by Papus, which has long been out of print had a value of twenty-five shillings, this alone more than covers the outlay. Geomancy is also well treated of, and this again reminds us that Hartman's work is now also out of print and has a fancy

value. Crystalomancy or crystal divining and much other interesting matter. In conclusion, we will say that any of our readers sending 2s. 10d. to THE MESSENGER office will be more than pleased when they see the book. The Tarot Pack of Cards, they will note, is among the advertised goods on the back page, also Gazing Crystals, should any be desirous of obtaining the best, at moderate prices.



### THE GOLDEN WHEEL

series of articles from the pen of Louis E. Jackson, in which the writer protests against the strictures passed by our contributor upon his transatlantic brethren. We ourselves have also received a letter on the same subject, which will be found under the heading of "Correspondence."

THE MADRAS ASTROLOGICAL MAGAZINE for February, March and April, is to hand and is a very readable production.

THE SWASTIKA for August is a specially interesting number, and on page 216 we quote a first-rate article on "The Uses of Adversity" from the pen of its Editor.

THE ADEPT for July contains a brief criticism on our recent

# Automatic Writing

**M**ANY of our readers will remember the name of "Charubel" as a contributor, and a very able one, to our contemporary, *Modern Astrology*, and also for the book he wrote on the "Degree of the Zodiac Symbolised." In the later years of his life he fell upon hard times, and a certain person whom we will call H.R. took up his cause and I believe enabled the old man to live in fair comfort to the end. Of course, this noble act made them great friends. Since his death H.R.'s wife has on two occasions had feelings strongly impressed upon her to write, although she has never had any experience in automatic writing before.

The first influence came over her on March 17th, 1909, and this is what appeared on the paper:—

"Astrology was right now another owns through your husband a true character of a new work winning much that his wishes only can get. Good bye. Wait.—THOMAS."

"Charubel" was the *nom de plume* he wrote under, his right name being Thomas.

On March 18th, 1909, the influence came over her again and she wrote:—

"Take my advice and don't do anything to the book. My own astrology will give you a wonderful knowledge and power. Good-night, Harold.—THOMAS."

Now H.R. is at a loss to understand these two messages, and asks if anyone can tell him in what number of *Modern Astrology* he can find a photo of Charubel, so that his wife may concentrate in order that he may get another message to explain those given.

Now here is a case of a lady not knowing anything about automatic writing or of its existence, all of a sudden so strongly impressed that she feels bound to sit down and write certain messages which she knows nothing about. Surely there must be some influence from the spirit land and we may go farther and say from the spirit of Thomas (Charubel).

A. R. OSSITER.

# Correspondence.

## Astrology and Astrologers.

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—In justice to American astrologers and authors I cannot refrain from offering your readers a few words of explanation. Your correspondent, Mr. Louis E. Jackson, in his letter No. 3 (April 1909) has chosen but a small lot to represent American astrological authors to our English friends. No word is mentioned of such writers as Anderson, Bennett, Broughton, Burgoyne, Hazelrigg, Hodges, Hicks, Henry, George, Ormsby, Parsons, Street, Stowe, Turnbull, White, Weston, Wilkinson, Whitehead or over sixty other writers who have done their share to throw some light on the science of Astrology, the *alma mater* of all science.

The American astrologer will eventually take and keep his place before the world, and it is our purpose and intention on this side of the Atlantic to get together a universal Astrological Society, which will co-operate with all others wherever existent. We shall re-establish the Church of Astrology, and every effort will be made to purify methods and force Truth from her well. We on this side have admiration for the work that has been and is still being done by our English brothers; being advanced thinkers we are mostly all more or less cranks, but still are thankful to any and all who aid in the finding of the long lost Word, City or Key. Astrology is the Key, and the time is coming when it must be recognised. "So mote it be, and God preserve the Craft!"

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New York.

June 2nd, 1909.

## Greenwich Time: When it was first Used and Wired.

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—The statement that Greenwich time was universally adopted in 1846 as the standard time at all railway stations cannot be correct, for from inquiries I have made from the Postmaster General the "time current" appears to have been first transmitted from Greenwich in 1852, when it was supplied from the Royal Observatory to some of the South Eastern Railway Company's stations, including those at Ashford and Reigate. So far as the telegraphing of Greenwich time is concerned, the arrangements for time signals to be sent were first made by The Electric and International Telegraph Co., and the system was taken over by the Post Office in 1872.

The Secretary of the Post Office says that it is considered probable that the system of wiring Greenwich time was probably introduced in the

year 1860, consequently it was only in the period from 1852 to 1860 that the time was wired on the South Eastern Railway. It was not until 1860 that Greenwich time was wired to all railway stations in England.

It would not be safe, for instance, to assume that Greenwich time was used in the household even as late as 1865, because the Town Church clock at that period kept true local time and always differed from the Post Office time and the station time. It was

not until the seventies in many towns that churches began to keep railway and Post Office time for convenience, and in all country places for many years after that local time was kept, the correction being made by a sun dial. Many households near churches kept church or local time, and others railway time if they were near the station or were using the railway. Yours faithfully, GEO. WILDE.

[Some further information on this matter will be given in our next issue.—ED.]

## Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

AUGUST, 1909.

1	3	23	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel in the morning. Evil for all things after mid-day.
2	17	55	A good day for business, correspondence and dealing with elderly people.
3	2	40	An unfavourable day. Attend only to ordinary duties.
4	17	29	Travel, change, deal with females, push business and ask favours. Use care in financial transactions.
5	2	14	An evil day. Avoid disputes and litigation and guard against accidents.
6	16	49	A doubtful day. Good for business and correspondence, but danger of accidents, disputes and indisposition.
7	1	8	A quiet day. Good for pleasure in afternoon.
8	15	11	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel, visit friends, but guard against disputes and quarrels.
9	28	56	A quiet day. Attend to ordinary duties.
10	12	23	An unsettled day. Do nothing important.
11	25	35	Attend to business, deal with elders and employers.
12	8	34	An evil day for travel and changes, avoid accidents and disputes.
13	21	20	A doubtful day. Act quietly and discreetly.
14	3	56	Another unpleasant day. Be very careful in dealings with others.
15	16	22	<i>Sunday.</i> A quiet day.
16	28	38	Deal with superiors, make changes, and take advantage of all opportunities for progress.
17	10	46	A good day for travel, business and changes.
18	22	46	A good day for pleasure, marriage, social affairs, asking favours and pushing concerns. Guard the health and avoid elderly people.
19	4	39	A dangerous day. Avoid women, guard against accidents and quarrels.
20	16	30	An evil day for all purposes.
21	28	20	A good day for dealing with superiors, asking favours, but health should be safeguarded.
22	10	13	<i>Sunday.</i> A good day for travel and visiting friends.
23	22	15	Travel, ask favours, deal with superiors and push business.
24	4	29	A changeable day. Avoid superiors in the morning. Travel and push affairs in the afternoon.
25	17	3	An evil day till evening. Then deal with elderly people.
26	0	0	Deal with superiors in the afternoon. Avoid females and pleasure in the evening.
27	13	24	An evil day for all purposes. Act discreetly.
28	27	17	Attend to correspondence and business. Avoid women.
29	11	39	<i>Sunday.</i> Travel and visit friends.
30	26	25	A doubtful day, attend only to general affairs.
31	11	29	Act discreetly in the a.m. Travel and change in the p.m.

### Answers to Correspondents.

EGYPTIAN.—You should erect the horoscope for the local time of the place, and calculate the planets' places for the corresponding Greenwich time. In the case named erect the figure for 10 a.m. and calculate the planets for 7.48 a.m.

L. H. BRYAN, Jamaica.—We are glad to hear of your appreciation of our forecast. We will insert one each month. The columns in the "Daily Guide" are the Longitudes of the Moon in the twelve signs of the Zodiac on each day at noon.

G. HARDY.—You should submit the case to the writer of the articles. He will be able to give you the necessary information you require if you write to him.

WILHELM MEISTER.—The information can only be obtained by the cultivation of the faculty of Clairvoyance. Books can be obtained from the publishers of the MESSENGER on this subject. Have your horoscope cast to see whether you have the gift in you.

# OLD . . MOORE'S Monthly Outlook and Forecast



SEPTEMBER, 1909.

## New Moon.

The New Moon of the 15th August falls in the fourth house and takes place just before midnight. It denotes considerable opposition to the Government, danger of defeat, argumentative disputations in the Commons, deaths and illnesses of members, and serious troubles in the Cabinet. A dissolution is not improbable. The stationary position of the two malefic planets in the sign Aries points to a serious crisis in the country and Parliament. Neptune in the second is bad for the revenue, pointing to frauds and swindling, depreciation of stocks and shares through socialistic aggression. Theatres, music halls and the younger generation will benefit, the birth rate will show an increase. Naval and military affairs will be prominent. Foreign affairs will be peaceably disposed. Uranus in the eighth house points to many sudden deaths, while Colonial affairs, Royalty and high life will not have a very prosperous month.

## United States.

At Washington, Mars and Saturn are in the second house, pointing to financial troubles, losses on 'Change. The lunation falls in the seventh house with Jupiter, Venus and Mercury. This is good for dealings with foreign powers, denotes many marriages of note, and a fairly prosperous month. At San Francisco, Saturn is on the nadir, a warning against seismic troubles in

the vicinity of the city. Railway accidents and strikes are threatened, but shipping affairs will benefit. Some legal case will attract great attention.

## China and Japan.

At Pekin, Jupiter and Venus are rising, a favourable augury for the Chinese Empire, showing an improvement in the state of the people, some alteration in the laws affecting women and children being likely. Mars in the seventh is rather inimical for peace, and Saturn in the eighth points to great mortality among notables. At Tokio, Mars has just set, warning the Mikado against disputes with other powers, and of war. Saturn is also in the seventh house, hence this point is very strongly denoted. Neptune in the tenth and Uranus in the fourth is evil for the Government.

## India.

At Calcutta, the luminaries have just risen in trine with Saturn. A more steady influence will prevail for a time, though slight disturbances against this country will be manifest, owing to the evil aspect of Mars to the luminaries. An improvement is shown in the exchequer and trade of the Empire.

## Europe.

At Petersburg, Jupiter and Venus are on the nadir, showing better prospects for

land and the people generally. Mars and Saturn in the midheaven is bad for the Government, and warns the Czar to safeguard his person. Some notable man will be in danger of assassination. At Berlin, Uranus sets and Neptune rises, showing much disturbance in the country, disputes with other powers, and grave troubles and disputes in the Reichstag, for Mars and Saturn will be in the eleventh house.

### **Jamaica.**

At Kingston, the lunation has just set, and Mercury, Jupiter and Venus are in the seventh. Marriages of note will occur. Mars and Saturn in the second will seriously deplete the exchequer. Some shipping disasters are threatened.

### **General Predictions.**

England suffers the worst under the lunation, owing to the position of Saturn and Mars in Aries. It will also affect Germany. Paris, Turkey, Switzerland and the West Indies will benefit from the conjunction of Jupiter and Venus in their ruling sign, Virgo.

### **Special Predictions.**

Mars culminates in 44 E. Long., near Tiflis, Aden, Bagdad, a warning against fires and incendiarism in those parts. Saturn is on the meridian in 59 E. in the eastern borders of Persia and near Muscat, an augury of evil to rulers and great men in those parts. Earthquake shocks are threatened in 121 W. and storms and volcanic troubles in the Pacific about 136 W.

### **The Stock Exchange.**

This is called the quiet money month, and planetary influences only carry strength for harvesting and pleasure ventures. Therefore, though most people would say otherwise, strength should come to theatres, railways and shipping, but only for a time, so that any dealing would be speculative. It will be a good month to clear out at the top about the 25th. Brewery Preference shares will have a rise.

## **Almanack Predictions**

FOR SEPTEMBER, 1909.

### **Raphael.**

Alteration in legislation affecting the landed interest, taxation of land values. Fraud on revenue, depreciation of securities. Birth-rate increase, theatres and music halls prosperous. Foreign affairs satisfactory, marriages of note. Strange and peculiar deaths. Opposition and party splits in the Government. Much trouble to this country. Turkey and Paris benefit.

### **Zadkiel.**

A critical time for Austria; China, Japan and Upper Egypt will hardly escape the disturbing influences. Critical time for Viceroy of India, anxiety in England on spread of sedition. Plague or cholera will be fatal in more than one Eastern State. Shocks of earthquake in India or China, Russia suffers from anarchism. Turkey the scene of discord and fanatical violence.

### **Orion.**

Changes in Government, plentiful harvest in British Isles, but weather difficulties. Home trade moderately good. Political excitement in England. Dissolution threatened. Much unrest among the people, personal recriminations in press. Strife and disputes in India. Trade and commerce of Canada improves.

### **Old Moore.**

Agricultural and landed interests improve, accidents to ironclads, many legacies to charitable institutions. Many deaths among members of Parliament. Many suicides. Holiday accidents. Murders in London. Sensations in racing circles.

### **Francis Moore.**

Legislation affecting land, much opposition to Government, loss of bye-elections, deficient revenue, increase in birthrate and better

time for theatres and music halls. Public health bad, feverish disorders. Foreign and Colonial affairs quiet. Strange deaths and suicides, great excitement in Commons, heated debates and deaths among members. Hospitals and institutions benefit.

## Astronomical Phenomena

FOR SEPTEMBER 1909.

### Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter,	6th	...	7h. 44m. aft.
New Moon,	14th	...	3h. 9m. aft.
First Quarter,	22nd	...	6h. 31m. aft.
Full Moon,	29th	...	1h. 5m. aft.

### Planetary Positions.

- ☉. The SUN is in Virgo; enters Libra on 23rd, 4.45 p.m.
- ☿. MERCURY is an evening star in Libra all the month.
- ♀. VENUS is an evening star in Libra, enters Scorpio on 17th.
- ♂. MARS is well placed for observation, rising in the east at sunset; in opposition to the Sun on 24th.
- ♃. JUPITER is too near the Sun for observation this month; in conjunction with that luminary on 18th.
- ♄. SATURN is becoming well placed for observation, southing soon after midnight.
- ♅. URANUS is in Capricorn, but not well placed for observation on account of its great south declination.
- ♆. NEPTUNE is in Cancer.
- d. The following table gives the Moon's position at noon on each day.

2, 3	} Aries	15, 16, 17	Libra
29, 30			
4, 5	Taurus	18, 19	Scorpio
6, 7	Gemini	20, 21, 22	Sagittarius
8, 9	Cancer	23, 24	Capricorn
10, 11, 12	Leo	25, 26	Aquarius
13, 14	Virgo	1, 27, 28	Pisces

### The Weather.

The month opens with variable weather, lowering of temperature about 7th and 8th, changeable 10th to 12th, cold with rain 15th. The latter half of the month seems to be marked with heat and thunder, especially between 18th and 24th, when the Sun passes from the conjunction of Jupiter to opposition of Mars.

NOTE.—It should be pointed out that these weather forecasts are only general and relate more to the near vicinity of London. It is impossible to give daily forecasts for different localities as much depends upon the elevation and nature of the land, some parts being wetter than others. It may be raining in one part of the country and fine in another, and such variations of weather cannot be given.

### Talisman for the Month.



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### CHAPTER X.

#### CONCLUSION.

In conclusion to our essay on the above three subjects we will show how the rules relating to the third subject are born out in the example horoscope.

First as regards the third house. There are no planets therein, but Mercury, ruler, is in the ninth house, but is in square with Saturn. Considerable trouble comes to the native through the affairs of relatives, and he is concerned more or less with them and their affairs. Not only that, but the life is much affected by relatives. A good deal of deceit is shown, and relations on the native's own side have not been favourably disposed toward him.

In regard to the seventh house we find Mercury chief ruler, but the rulers of the ascendant and seventh are in conjunction and parallel and connected by the Sun, hence a perfect agreement exists between the native and his wife, although the square of Saturn to Mercury has brought much trouble to them through the action of others, deceit and secret enmity, especially from elderly people. The ruler of the seventh in the ninth does not exactly show one from abroad, or a foreign partner in the physical sense, yet from a mental point of view it is so, for the wife is the polar opposite both in height, physique, character and mentality, and, in fact, her nature is one which is quite foreign to the native's.

Concerning the eleventh house, we have the influence of Saturn predominating. Friends have never been useful or advantageous to the native, for though some have been sincere and constant, their friendship has been detrimental and in times of trouble have not proved their friendship. In one case a friend, who did much to advance the native's interests, became a turncoat, and did him serious injury, both publicly and privately.

In this particular horoscope we find that both Mercury and Saturn are disposed of by Jupiter, the ruler of the horoscope, hence whatever troubles arise through these planets, it can never effect any permanent or lasting injury. Whatever attacks the native experiences at the hands of others he always overcomes.

Now, in conclusion, there are a few points I wish to deal with in relation to these three matters. Not only are the different houses and the planets placed therein to be taken into account, but the rulership of the particular houses must on no account be omitted. I know we are told that this house and sign rulership is only to do with horary astrology, and does not enter the natal branch, but students should not be misled by such teaching. There is a principle underlying this rulership, however much prejudiced writers may say to the contrary, and experience is the only true criterion.

The next point to be considered in this matter is the aspects to the planets in the several houses and also to the rulers of those houses, as these have a modifying influence and bring in various factors which make the point under judgment all the more interesting.

Lastly, but not least, the position of the ruler of the houses, both by sign and house, has to be considered, and this is the most important factor of all.

With these few remarks I leave the subject in the hands of my readers and students. I have endeavoured as far as possible to deal with the subject in a simple way, but astrology, unfortunately, is a subject in which there is a very thin border line between simplicity and superstition, where the simple exposition of the subject may bring it on a level with the fortune-telling trash which is so often connected with it. The rules and suggestions given can be applied to all horoscopes and are based on natural principles of the science and verified by experiences.

# Horoscopes of Notable Men.

PROF. COATES: Mesmerist, Phrenologist and Author.  
By "EUODAO."

(Continued from last month.)

THE Moon, ruler of the 9th, in the scientific sign  $\approx$  in  $\Delta$  to  $\gamma$ ,  $\ast$   $\Psi$ , shows his religion to be one of intellectual idealism, and one in which the soul craves to penetrate into the eternal verities. His church or cathedral will be the cloister of his own soul, for  $\gamma$  in  $\approx$  the 12th shows a mind given to deep probings, best able to reason and balance up when in the quietudes. The  $\text{P} 4$  in the 4th will bring harmony and success into his domestic life, especially the latter part of it. His enterprises and undertakings will prove fruitful, and as  $\Psi$  is conjoined with  $4$ , and  $3$  in benefic aspect to  $4$ , the end of his life will be very peaceful and much taken up with the study and propagation of religious and psychical matters, but they will be principally in his own home ( $\text{D}$ ,  $\Psi$  &  $4$  in 4th).

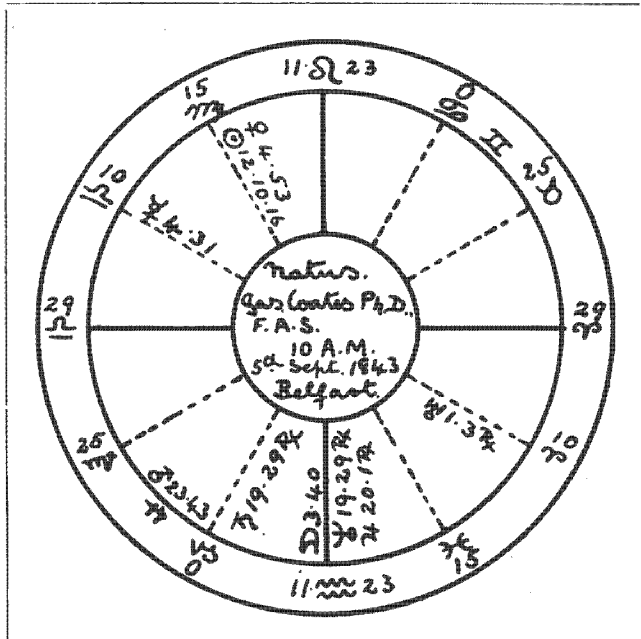
This is well born out by the fact that he has published within the last 7 years, "Human Magnetism," "Self Control," and "Seeing the Invisible," also the popular 1/- edition of the following works: "How to Mesmerise," "How to read Heads," "How to read Faces," "How to read Thoughts." Post free 1/3 each. The parallel of the  $\text{D}$  and  $4$  has been responsible for these books

seeing a large second edition just recently.  $\text{h}$ , ruler of 3rd and 4th,  $\Delta$   $\odot$  in the 11th, the latter being conjoined to  $\gamma$ , will give him many powerful friends in the spheres of literature, medicine and hygiene. They will often be of service to him and do him many a good turn, enabling him to gain his ambitions and to establish his reputation. Venus, ruler of the horoscope in  $\text{m}$  10th,

will cause him to make a special study of hygiene and food, and he will have friends who are authorities on these matters. It also promises him the esteem of the highest in the land. Is it strange, then, that our illustrious King has been pleased to accept the latest book, "Seeing the Invisible" from the pen of Mr. Coates? Uranus retrograde in  $\gamma$  5th,

will arouse in his mind unconventional ideas about love and marriage. But the opposition of Uranus and Mercury seems to indicate that the ventilation of his ideal and unique views upon the foregoing are not likely to be warmly reciprocated by his friends and associates ( $\gamma$  ruler of the 11th).

This opposition also warns him to have nothing to do with Local Council or School Board affairs, if he wants to maintain an unruffled temper and remain free from adverse criticism.



The malefic influence of ♄ in 5th, squared by Mars and semi-squared by Jupiter, the ruler of the 5th, is one which is altogether unsatisfactory for the rearing of offspring. I should say that many a pang will come into his life through the influence of children.

The Sun unafflicted and conjoined with Venus, the ruling planet, confers upon our subject a strong, yet sensitive constitution, with great recuperative powers. The opposition of Mercury and Uranus will be most manifest in a peculiar irritable state of the nerves; while Mars afflicting ♄ in ♑ will give a liability to accidents to head, hips and thighs; and as Mars is ruler of the 7th, there will be a danger of public violence at some time in the life. I judge from the position of ♄ in ♑ that he will be most subject to excruciating neuralgia pains in the head and to cramp. Bathing would be liable to set up head troubles.

The influence of the cardinal and flexed signs will cause him much moving about, but the Moon, ruler of the 9th, placed in the fixed sign ♄, in the 4th house, shows his abode to be ultimately a fixed one. The influence of the 4th house strong is a testimony that he will meet with success at home. The conjoined influence of ☉ & ♀ in ♍ 11th, shows propitious places to lie south east of his birth place, Lancashire being specially marked out. The elevation of the Sun and Venus above all the other planets is also a sure sign of preponderating good fortune.

Judging from the "directions" operating 1908-9-10, Asc. P Δ ♄ R, ☉ P \* ♄ R, P ♄ R, ♀ P ♀ R, ☐ ♄ R, I should say Mr. Coates has, and is still undergoing, a further awakening of his consciousness and a broadening of his mental horizon. Though 66 years have passed over his head, the trine of ♄ in ♑ counts not time but bestows another dose of its elixir to revivify and spur on the mind to some new channel of expression. As this is purely an intellectual "direction," I judge that whatever his pen now findeth to do, it will do it with a vim. It is a favourable period, so far as the mind is concerned, for carrying out all kinds of

original work of a scientific, literary, psychic and occult nature.

The sextile of the Sun to Saturn in the 3rd will greatly intensify the above direction by rendering the mind even more steadfast, concentrative and plodding, therefore better able to carry out to a successful issue the laborious studies or works he will now take up. Opportunities which mean much responsibility will now come his way. I judge an appointment, such as a secretaryship or some position of trust, whereby his honour and reputation will become more firmly established. His relationship with kindred and old men will be productive of much esteem.

The parallel of the ☉ and ♄ indicates some beneficial changes in connection with the domestic life. New attachments will be formed which bring credit, honour and social advantages. The parallel of ♄ and ♀ also points to social advantages arising out of the association with people of an artistic, literary and scientific turn of mind. The square of ♄ and ♄ from 1st and 4th houses respectively, I do not deem of much ill import as these two planets are in trine aspect to each other at birth. Still, it is just possible that the domestic life will now give rise to some criticism, disputes, and the circulation of false reports of a slanderous nature, and these are likely to emanate from intellectual people claiming the friendship of our subject (♄ in ♄). The parallel of ☉ and ♄, and ♄ and ♀ will, however, enable him to stand on his dignity and repel by pen and tongue those attacks.

In conclusion, I may say that the Moon is now passing through the 8th house of the progressed horoscope, and the 9th of the radical. The first position taken by itself would seem to point to deaths in his social circle, but as the *basic directions* are all good, this is not likely. I judge rather that this position will have its expression through matters related to death, for the 8th house is the house of occultism; and as we already saw that the Asc. P was Δ ♄ R, I should say that the Moon's passage through the 8th is a very favourable influence for the investigation of spiritualism and allied subjects.

## The Philosophy of Spiritual and Occult Manifestations

By W. H. EDWARDS.

**A**LL earnest thinking people admit the truth of supernatural manifestations, as the premonitions and various warnings of approaching death—as well as appearances after death—are practically innumerable. So great is the number of fully accredited instances, that to doubt their reality is to stamp oneself as utterly dense and wanting in common perception.

The facts having been admitted, and numerous publications having become established to record the more striking and attested cases, it now behoves us to consider the philosophy of these manifestations, and in what manner they affect the human family as a whole.

The age is now sufficiently advanced in toleration in regard to opposing religious creeds, that we may fearlessly discuss and examine the credentials of any religion with a view to learning what is true religion, and the relation of mankind to God and his ministering Angels or Spirits. Many profess to doubt the existence of God in complete contradistinction to those who believe and affirm there are many Gods. I think the latter are right, as from personal experience I know there are Hierarchies in spirit, who deal with many phases of principles and various organisms, and are constituted authorities on these various subjects.

Many men arrive at the same conclusions in speculating theories, at the same time, in regard to deductions derived from observing changing phenomena. This is probably due to the fact that numerous bands of Spirits are engaged in projecting the facts upon those who have placed themselves within the zone or sphere of action of the subject of the theory. The evolution of specie was so discovered by Professor Darwin and Dr. Alfred Russell Wallace at the same time, while Haeckel in his evolution of man, in my opinion, was the deeper thinker of the trio.

Whenever there is what may be termed

the spirit of change developing in the nations, it is ever brought about by numerous bands of Spirits charged with this special mission, and who will in the exercise of this particular mission enforce it in every conceivable way on all who may serve their purpose to that end. Hence the numerous and conflicting reports concerning spiritual manifestations. These Spirits claim extraordinary powers in the furtherance of their objects. They state, and on occasions will convincingly prove, they have power over life, death, and health in these connections, as I am able to testify to. They will further, or foil, any project according to the necessity or justice of the case; and many cases of what is commonly called chance is indeed quite the reverse, being brought about by carefully calculated circumstances.

At the present time these Spirits have as their primary object the restoration of natural healing by simple methods, and the mingling of all religious beliefs in one Union of Faith in one All-Wise Creator and his ministering spirits, irrespective of nationality, creed or dogma. They insist that the terrible persecution and vast amount of human misery perpetrated under the name of religion has done more to fill the spiritual hells than any other cause. Apart from the terrible wars of opposing religious creeds, such as the Crusades and the holy wars of the East, there is another great cause of spiritual misery in religious practises and beliefs. The sacrifices to the gods, the cannibal practises of savage nations, the victims to Siva and Juggernaut in India, the murderous vengeance of the Inquisition, and the numerous massacres amongst conflicting bodies of Christians, are the striking causes to the creation of spiritual hells. Those who take a public part in the furtherance of these practises are treated in spirit as devils, and are really confined to states and conditions of very

serious woe, until such time as they work themselves free from their spiritual misery by some set task given to each under the governing laws of justice and love, irresistibly administered after the manner recorded by Danté and Swedenborg. The upheavals against priestly control can be seen by recent events in Italy—the founder of Christianity—France, and now Spain. In the last named the wholesale destruction of monastery and convent tells its own tale of vengeance born of injury and arrogance. The real temple of God begins in the domestic home, and the heads of the family are the real priests of God. Of what avail are prayers through the priest when war and pestilence stalk through the land? The English Bible, if read from the standpoint of its being the history of nations, with the nations and instances recorded as merely being types of the rise and fall of all nations who fall away from the principles of God, would be an all sufficient guide and warning for those who have eyes to see and ears to hear.

The destruction of the Cities of the Plains has its counterpart in the destruction of San Francisco and Messina, both having the reputation of being desperately wicked places. Vanoc of *The Referee* states that four weeks before the destruction of Messina a Satanic Club existed there, and a song was nightly sung calling upon God to destroy the city by an earthquake and so justify His existence. The professional scientists say the destruction was due to natural causes by the accumulation of steam seeking an outlet. Spirits say they have control of this steam and can either cause its accumulation or harmlessly disperse it. In this case they used it as the instrument of punishment in vindication of God. Wars are not only caused by Spirits in obedience to the mandate of Heaven, but they also actively participate in effecting the punishment of the nation singled out for that purpose.

The extraordinary immunity of Americans during the war in Cuba with Spain, was due to the special protection afforded them. Spain's long reign of tyranny and outrage

in Cuba, during which it was computed 100,000 lives were thrown away from sheer cruelty, was thus closed by this high mandate; and the people having suffered the horrors of war and its handmaiden, conscription, now turn on the rulers who seek to again force them to another foreign campaign. The same result happened in Russia after their overwhelming defeat at the hands of a small Pagan country like Japan. But Japan being the chosen people of God for the purpose were unconquerable. The lesson at home may be sought for in the Boer war where we discovered our weakness and woe. The handwriting is on the wall here in England. Will its rulers read the lesson and ponder?

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### A Newspaper Extract.

It would seem that Astrology and Prophetic Forecasts must be in demand still, the Books of the Prophets, "OLD MOORE of Pilgrim Street," RAPHAEL "The Astrologer of the 19th Century," and others having a sale of considerably over a million copies. Who is OLD MOORE? who now sends his 212th yearly alarum to make folks' hair stand up; and who is RAPHAEL? who in comparative youth sends his 89th Book of the Future. OLD MOORE, Physician, we believe is the descendant of the saintly one who worked miraculous cures around St. Paul's, giving the name to Pilgrim's Street, the route taken by sick and suffering Pilgrims, seekers after health. Now the benevolent old gentleman, for one penny scatters prophecies of fate and fortune for the coming year, the weather, useful tables, and last, but not least, his friendly advice to the suffering. No wonder millions exchange a penny for such marvellous value. We note that the Prophet has also a MONTHLY MESSENGER in which he gives the fate and fortune of all children born, and the price is only 2d. Pilgrim Street is still the shrine of OLD MOORE. Many towns in the country are promised Great Tribulation; let Manchester, Leeds, and Birmingham prepare for the coming great struggle.

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# How to Find Time of Birth from Past Events

## IV.—EXPLANATIONS.

IT was not my intention to write a further chapter on this subject, but from letters received, and from the criticism of Mr. Forrest, in the July issue, it is necessary for me to clear away several misconceptions which have arisen. First, with regard to the criticism on page 192, in which Mr. Forrest states that I have made out a case for the Epoch, I wish to state most emphatically that I have made *no case whatever*; that the correction of birthtimes and calculation from past events is not original with me, and that I have done nothing more than elaborate a theory which has been known for more than a decade. Unfortunately our friend is utterly out of touch with the progress of astrology in connection with the Epoch during this period, and his criticisms, both on this matter and on other points connected with the Epoch, which were made by letter, are purely imaginary and belated, and were fully answered seven years ago.

The question has been asked of me, "What do I know about the Epochal theory, seeing that I am not the originator of it?" My experience is a unique one, and it rests on personal investigation based on the known rules of the theory. Directly after the publication of the *Manual of Astrology*, just over ten years ago, I obtained a copy, and I put to a thorough test the rules of the theory by applying them to nearly 300 cases of infant mortality, for the express purpose of finding out from the Epoch why the children died. I cannot give all the results here, but it is sufficient to say that the figure for the Epoch showed more information than the horoscopes, and invariably gave directions to show time and nature of death, which the horoscopes in very few cases denoted.

In regard to the time of birth, I should like to point out that all the test cases were ordinarily observed births, the time being given to the *nearest five minutes*. I have just looked up a number of these cases—

there are 52—and I have noted the corrections by the Epoch from the given birthtime. The analysis shows that in 33 cases the correction is less than five minutes; in 13 cases it is under ten minutes; and in the remaining six it is not greater than 12 minutes. All sorts of objections have been made against this theory, but every one has been shown to be imaginary, and based on a wrong conception of its basic principles. I could fill several pages with comments thereon, but as the time is past for any argument on the truth of the Epoch, I will content myself with dealing with only one.

We have been told that cases exist where the birthtime has been altered forty minutes to make it agree with the Epoch. I have seen several of these cases, and on examination it has proved that not only were the calculations wrong, but the very astute astrologer did not know what the rules were. He had never seen a copy of the "*Manual of Astrology*," and when I pointed out to him his confusion of the sex degrees he asked me *what they were*. In the one particular case the rectification made the birthtime 54 minutes wrong. A lady gave her birthtime as about a quarter to eleven, and it was actually altered "to make it suit the Epoch" to 11.37. I took the case in hand, and by applying the proper rules, I corrected the birthtime to seventeen minutes to eleven, only two minutes earlier than the given time.

In conclusion, it has to be once more stated that no rectification of any birthtime by the Epoch is correct, unless it fulfils four separate and distinct points. It must show:—

1. The sex of the native.
2. The exact period of gestation.
3. The character and fortunes of the native.
4. Directions for the events of life.

Unless it fulfils each of these four conditions, the rectification cannot be correct.

All arguments and criticism against the Epoch at the present stage of astrological progress are only belated, and must be ruled out of court. The time is past for me to write a defence of this theory, as it is no longer a theory, but an actual verifiable factor in natal astrology, and one which no amount of argument or criticism can controvert.

I have no doubt I should surprise my fellow students if I stated that by means of the prenatal Epoch I can compute the birth-times of children before they are born. What I say is neither falsehood nor fiction, and it can be verified by another gentlemen. I have one case in my possession where the time of the act of generation was noted, and from this the prenatal Epoch and then the birthtime were computed, six months before the child was born, and the birth occurred at the very moment calculated. I have another case where the time of quickening was noted, and the birthtime computed three

months before the birth took place. Three other similar cases are under examination at this present moment.

A final word in this matter. Students should study the subject fully, according to the rules and examples which have been laid down in the Manual of Astrology—which can be obtained from the publishers of the MESSENGER—and in the various astrological magazines. But they should not be led away by the vague and incoherent objections which have been levied against it.

In regard to rectification, I have proved that in the Epochal theory lies the key to the correct time of birth, and the computation of the birthtime when it is unknown, from the past events of life. All this has been proved beyond the shadow of a contradiction, and it requires no auxiliary theories to support it. It stands alone, unrivalled and uncontradicted. Need I say more?

## Birth Time by the Clock.

Greenwich Time : When Used and Wired.

**A**S this is the last number of the present volume, and we do not wish to take up any further space on the above subject, we have thought fit to briefly sum up this matter. In the last issue Mr. Wilde ventured to question our authority for the statement that Greenwich time was adopted for railways purposes in 1846. We should not have stated what we did if we had no authority for it, and as our veracity is doubted we will look into the matter and quote chapter and verse for our statement.

The information which Mr. Wilde says he obtained from the Postmaster General is rather unreliable, for in a letter from the same source sent to our Glasgow correspondent, it is distinctly stated that there is no record of the date when Greenwich time was first wired to places. In addition to that the Electric and International Telegraph Co. had charge of this, and it was not

until 1870 that they were taken over by the State. But there is quite a difference in the date when G.M.T. was first used and wired.

In Glasgow and Edinburgh it was in use many years before it was wired; in the former city as much as 20 years.

The statement that town church clocks kept true local time is pure supposition, as they were just as often fast as they were slow and could not be relied upon to keep accurate time. Cases are known where it was the custom to keep the church clock five minutes faster than the railway, merely for convenience. Even in villages where there were no railways, it was the custom to keep the church clock five minutes faster than the nearest railway station. Again, in how many places did sundials exist. Not only that sundials would show neither G.M.T. nor local time, but Sun, or apparent time.

The one great point in the matter is that

very few people know what is the correct time. They state that they were born at such an hour, local time, but put the question to them as to what clocks they went by, and you will find that very few know what local time is. A case was submitted to us a few weeks ago, and the informant stated that he was born in 1890, and the time was local time. It was a large town in the middle of England, and I made it a point of enquiring what clock he went by. The reply was "Station time," and station time, as we know, is Greenwich time.

We can only repeat what was stated in the July issue, that before 1846 local time must always be taken. From 1846 to end

of 1863 times vary, some being given in local and others in Greenwich time. Since 1863 times can be safely taken in G.M.T., but only in those places where there were railways stations. In country places local time should be used.

In conclusion, it is necessary to say that the whole question turns on the subject of the real time of birth, which we dealt with in the last issue. From letters received it seems that the question need not have been raised, as it only tends to make obstacles for students to contend with.

The *Ultima Thuli* of the whole question is that every birthtime should be rectified, and then the exact time will be known.

## Daily Guide for Business & Pleasure.

SEPTEMBER, 1909.

1	26	X 39	A doubtful day, act discreetly; favourable for social matters in the afternoon.
2	11	Y 46	An evil day, avoid travel, disputes, litigation and changes.
3	26	40	An evil day. Act discreetly.
4	11	X 15	Travel, change, ask favours, improve position, and attend to important matters.
5	25	25	Sunday. A quiet day.
6	9	II 12	An unsettled day. Attend to correspondence in a.m.
7	22	35	Deal with elders in the a.m. Safeguard health.
8	5	38	Avoid disputes, accidents, litigation. Attend to business and correspondence.
9	18	24	A variable day; ask favours in early morn, but avoid changes and removals, be careful of females and elderly people. The late evening is good for social matters.
10	0	57	Avoid women and beware of accidents. Travel, change, deal with antiquarians and astrologers in the evening.
11	13	18	A fairly successful day for business and correspondence.
12	25	31	Sunday. Deal with elderly people, females, artists and the like. A good day for a seaside holiday or a trip on the water.
13	7	36	An unsettled day. Do nothing of importance.
14	19	35	Travel and remove in the a.m. Avoid litigation and disputes. Attend to social matters in the evening.
15	1	29	An unfavourable day. Act discreetly and be careful in financial transactions.
16	13	21	An evil day. Act discreetly; avoid disputes.
17	25	10	Not a good day. Attend to ordinary duties.
18	7	0	A generally good day for new undertakings; social and financial transactions, but care required in dealings with elders. A good day for marriage.
19	18	54	Sunday. A quiet day; travel and visit friends.
20	0	55	A good day for business, new work and undertakings. Act discreetly in afternoon and evening.
21	13	8	An unimportant day.
22	25	39	Attend to correspondence in a.m. Evil rest of day for all things, especially travelling.
23	8	31	A good day for pleasure and social enjoyments.
24	21	49	A very evil day. Avoid disputes, accidents, litigation, travel and changes. An especially disastrous day.
25	5	36	A doubtful day. Act discreetly.
26	19	53	Sunday. Deal with elders in the afternoon, correspondence in evening.
27	4	38	Act discreetly in the a.m. Attend to correspondence in the afternoon.
28	19	45	Travel and change in the a.m.
29	5	3	Deal with superiors and ask favours at noon.
30	20	22	An unsettled day for all purposes.

## The Finding of Lost Horoscopes.

By EDWIN FORREST.

**B**Y a lost horoscope is meant a case where a person knows the date and year of birth, but has no idea of the time. The finding of these lost times has been a problem which has been very much before our readers the last two or three months. Now it will be remembered that in my article on Solar Revolutions, I made some allusion to the possibility of finding the true time of birth by means of these Solar Revolutions. I have calculated very many of these solar returns and never have I come across a single case in which the prominent event of the period has not been shown most unmistakably. Now it is a very simple matter for a competent astrologer to consult the ephemeris for year of birth, and by taking the Sun's exact longitude at the midnights preceding and following the noon of the given date of birth, to determine the limits within which the native's solar return must always occur.

Then we will suppose that the native has supplied his astrologer with the dates and nature of three important events in the life, as for example:—Death of father, 16 August, 1889. Serious illness or personal accident, 10 July, 1895. Great good fortune, promotion or business success, 18 December, 1900. These I may say are purely imaginary and hypothetical particulars. It is not a real case.

Now the astrologer finds the date in the year of the event when the Sun returns to the limits we have made mention of above. He then, by a reference to tables of houses, arranges a time which would give a map in accordance with the event. He does this in all three cases, and I believe myself to be right when I say that with a very little trouble he will always be able to get maps fulfilling *two conditions*. These are: 1st, that all three maps shall indicate the event, and 2nd, that all three times picked upon to give these maps will upon calculation show *the Sun to be in the same degree, minute and second of longitude in all three cases*.

Now the Sun moves on an average about a degree a day roughly speaking, or 60'-0" or 3,600". A very simple calculation in mental arithmetic will show (as there are 24 hours in each day or 1,440 minutes) that a difference of 1" of longitude in the Sun produces a difference of 24 seconds of time. Now find the time on the day of birth when the Sun is in this selfsame degree, minute and second (by simple proportion) and you will have, according to my idea, the true time of birth to within 24 seconds, or at any rate to within 4 minutes either way. Now we have got this, we may by calculating a few primary directions to the angles on the true Ptolemaic and Placidian method as taught by Zadkiel, decide on the exact ascendant, since it will be very rare indeed that two out of the three events do not come somewhere close to a major direction to an angle.

This method I claim to be the most scientific idea which has ever been published. It is based on

the two things in astrology which are most certain and of oldest repute, viz., solar revolutions and primary directions (more especially in this case to angles).

But what is needed is a rigid test. It is not enough to do this only for folks who know no time at all. What must be done is to try the method in a given number of cases in which the time is authentically known and in which events of sufficient importance have occurred to render the process possible. Marriage and engagement to marry form good points to calculate upon.

Now I am perfectly willing to undertake the test personally, provided persons offering the tests agree that the results shall be published whether for or against the theory. A limited number of such tests will be accepted at once. What is wanted is as follows.—

Twenty-four persons who have *authentic evidence* of the time of their birth, that is, hour and minute, or at any rate the nearest 5 minutes, and who can furnish the dates of the following or any three of them.—Engagement, marriage, death of parent, illness, accident, promotion or great business success.

These must be sent direct to me at 28, Brisbane Road, Ilford, Essex. Not more than 24 can be accepted at present, and on receipt of these I will make my calculations and furnish the time. If it can be done in cases where people can corroborate results then all the more certainty attaches to the method where people do not know it.

Everyone interested in this subject should certainly buy "Simmonite's Solar Revolutions" (1s.) from Messrs. W. Foulsham & Co., and an Ephemeris for 1909 (6d.). Total cost 1s. 6d. Then they can begin testing for themselves, provided they have their horoscope with the Sun's longitude calculated to seconds.

[We are of opinion that a test as above should be conducted under more stringent conditions. We suggest that contributors should furnish all particulars, *including the birthtime*, to the Editor. He will furnish Mr. Forrest with the particulars required, and the calculations shall be returned to the Editor for comparison with the original birthtime. The results can then be published. Unless the test is conducted under these conditions we cannot agree to publish the results in these pages.—EDITOR.]

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# The Mysteries of Numbers--VI.

By "NUMERATO."

**A**S this is the concluding paper of the present series we present some interesting manipulations with figures.

The number 37 is one which, being multiplied by each of the figures of arithmetical profession, 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, all the products of which are composed of three repetitions of the same figures and the sum of these figures is the same as that by which the 37 was multiplied.

37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	
111	222	333	444	555	666	777	888	999	

A very curious number is 142,857. Multiply it by 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6, it gives the same figures in the same order beginning at a different point, while if multiplied by 7 gives all nines. Multiplied by 2 = 285,714; by 3 = 428,571; by 4 = 571,428; by 5 = 714,285; by 6 = 857,142; by 7 = 999,999

Multiply by 8 and it is 1,142,856. If the first and last are added the original number is again obtained. Multiply by 9 = 1,285,713. Add the first and last figures and the same series are obtained.

This may be carried on indefinitely, and the first and last figures added together will always preserve the sequence.

When any number is a multiple of 3 or 9 the figures composing the number will also be a multiple of 3 or 9. Thus, 142,857 divided by 9 is 15,873. Also, the total of the figures in the first number is 27, or 3 times 9.

To know whether a number is divisible by 11, find the sum of the alternate figures in the number and if it is the same or differs by 11, then the number can be divided by 11. Thus, 481,624. Can this be divided by 11.  $4 + 1 + 2 = 7 - 8 + 6 + 4 = 18$ . There is a difference of 11, so the number is divisible.

The following problem can be used as an exhibition of skill at a party. It is called "Find the missing figure." Let one of the

party place on paper a number containing an odd number of figures, 3, 5, 7 or 9. He is then to add up the figures in the number and subtract them from the original number. He is then to strike out the middle figure and add up the remainder. On naming this total the finder will name the missing figure.

As an illustration:—

Take - - - - - 4,737,625  
These figures added together = 34

Subtracted 4,737,591

Strike out the middle figure and the total of the others is 29. The missing figure is known at once to be 7.

The solution of this puzzle is that after the figures have been added and subtracted from the original number, the total of the result is always a multiple of 9.

The total of the figures in this case was 36; but the middle figure being omitted it only came to 29, hence the missing figure was the difference between the number given and the next multiple of 9. When the number given comes to a multiple of 9, then the missing figure will be either 9 or 0.

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# Birthday Influences during September

And the Fate of every Child born during the Month.

1. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♈, ♄ ♈, ♄ ♄. A changeable year, danger of bereavement and indisposition, but social and financial gains and benefits through friends. A child born on this day will have many troubles and trials in life, health and environment standing against him, but will benefit socially and by the help of friends.

2. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, ♃ ♏, ♃ ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. A dangerous year, indisposition, accident, disputes and quarrels with others and indications of litigation and reversals. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, impulsive and eccentric, will have a hard struggle in life, many vicissitudes, and is liable to come to a poor end.

3. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏. A changeable year, with some successes and improvement in affairs, but danger of indisposition and bereavement. A child born on this day will be popular and esteemed, will rise through friends, but health will cause many hindrances and limitations to his success.

4. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. A successful year, favourable changes, improvement in affairs, and many benefits through superiors. A child born on this day will rise in life, be popular with employers and will travel and see much of the world at large.

5. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. A fairly successful year, financial benefits and success in business, but many little worries and annoyances. A child born on this day will be popular, will rise in life and be fairly successful, but will have many little drawbacks to contend against.

6. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. A generally successful year, with little benefits, but trouble through employers and some unpleasant changes. A child born on this day will be active and intelligent, should always remain in employ of others, and curb a rather independent spirit.

7. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. An unfortunate birthday, danger of indisposition and bereavement, some little benefits and successes, and gain through elders. A child born on this day will benefit in the employ of others, but should always safeguard the health as it will be a drawback to much success.

8. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. A very evil year, danger of accidents, disputes litigations and losses. A change will occur. A child born on this day will be hasty, rash, sarcastic, and impatient, should always remain in the employ of others, and cultivate restraint and self-control.

9. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. An evil

year, unpleasant changes, reversals, upsets and annoyances, disappointment and grief, but success through friends. A child born on this day will be wayward and erratic, hasty and careless, often in trouble and disgrace, while he should remain in employ and act in a discreet manner in all things.

10. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏. A changeable year, some disappointment, improvement of position, a favourable change and many benefits. A child born on this day will be original and inventive, energetic and active, and should make a way in life. Some disappointments in connection with the other sex are shown.

11. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏. A quiet birthday, some changes and improvement in position, little worries and annoyances. A child born on this day will be active and intelligent, but will have a very quiet career.

12. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. A favourable year, changes, social benefits, favours of elderly people and popularity. A child born on this day will be impressionable and psychic, musically inclined, a favourite with elderly people and the opposite sex.

13. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. Not a very important anniversary, slight troubles and annoyances to cope with. A child born on this day will be somewhat erratic and changeable, but will have a quiet life and not much success generally.

14. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. A favourable year, changes and success in work, travel and journeys, improvement in position, but danger of accidents and disputes. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty in temper, clever and original, a favourite with the opposite sex, and should rise in life by force of merit. The martial instinct will be strong.

15. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. An unfavourable year, losses and indisposition, financial troubles and danger of litigation and disputes. A child born on this day will be rash, hasty, impetuous, and prodigal, will be extravagant in money matters, often involved in law and disputes and generally unfortunate.

16. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. An unsettled year generally, gain through employment and superiors, but losses and changes. Accidents should be guarded against. A child born on this day will have much to contend against, be rash and hasty, will do best in employ and gain through friends and superiors.

17. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♏, ♄ ♏, ♄ ♏. A worrying year generally, changes and indisposition. A child born on this day will be dull and lack intelligence, health will be a drawback and he will not make much success in in the world.

18. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♍, ☿ ♀. A successful year, social and financial benefits, changes and great improvement in circumstances, some little worries and annoyances but benefits through the opposite sex. A child born on this day will rise in life and be popular and esteemed, will gain through the opposite sex and have a successful career.

19. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♍, Δ ♀, \* ♀. A fairly successful year, changes and unexpected benefits, slight danger of disputes and accidents. A child born on this day will be clever and original, slightly eccentric, and rather rash.

20. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♌, \* ☉, \* ♀, Δ ♀. A favourable year, improvement in position, new work, social and financial gain, but several minor worries. A child born on this day will be slightly erratic and changeable, popular, active and very energetic and will rise in life.

21. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♌. A quiet year on the whole with slight unfavourable changes. A child born on this day will be erratic and changeable, but will have a quiet life and will do best in employ of others.

22. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♌, ☉ ☉, ♀, Δ ♀, \* ♀. A changeable and contradictory year, benefits through business and elderly people, but danger of disputes, indisposition and litigation. A child born on this day will be clever and intelligent, but rash and impulsive, and often in disputes and litigation.

23. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♍, \* ♀. A favourable year with social and financial gains. A child born on this day will be artistic, affectionate and musical, and a favourite with the opposite sex.

24. FRIDAY. (Ruled by Venus). ♃ in ♍, ♀ ♀, ☿ ♀, Δ ♀, ☉ ♀. An evil year, danger of accidents, feverish disorders, losses, changes, troubles and trials. Some benefits through friends. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, witty and sharp in speech, will have many troubles and trials in life.

25. SATURDAY. (Ruled by Saturn). ♃ in ♍, Δ ☉, \* ♀, ☉ ♀. A changeable year, new works and undertakings, but little worries and annoyances, disappointments. Some improvement in affairs. A child born on this day will be energetic and enterprising, inclined to be erratic and careless, but should always remain in employ, and be careful.

26. SUNDAY. (Ruled by Sol). ♃ in ♍, \* ♀, Δ ♀. A generally successful year, benefits through elders, some changes and success in work. Slight indisposition shown. A child born on this day will be clever and serious, be successful in business and mental occupations, but should avoid disputes.

27. MONDAY. (Ruled by Luna). ♃ in ♌. An unsettled year generally, many little ups and downs. A child born on this day will have a very unsettled life, and not gain much success or position.

28. TUESDAY. (Ruled by Mars). ♃ in ♌, Δ ♀, \* ♀, ♀ ♀, Δ ♀. A changeable year, some benefits and successes, but danger of ill health and bereavement. A child born on this day will be clever and very original, but health and environment will be a drawback to success.

29. WEDNESDAY. (Ruled by Mercury). ♃ in ♍, ♀ ☉, ☿ ♀. An evil anniversary, losses, indisposition, danger of disputes and quarrels, and loss of position, benefits through superiors and friends. A child born on this day will be rash and hasty, often in trouble and disputes, should always remain in employ and never go to law on any account.

30. THURSDAY. (Ruled by Jupiter). ♃ in ♍, ☉ ♀, ☉ ♀, ☿ ♀, ♀ ♀. An evil anniversary, losses, troubles, indisposition, danger of accident and bereavement, and many troubles and trials. A child born on this day will be hasty and bad tempered, erratic and wayward, often in trouble and disgrace, and will suffer many trials in his way in the world.

## Our Friendship Column.

THE object of this column is to bring together kindred spirits and open up communions which will be of lasting benefit to the participators; and, as friendship shuns disguises, we ask that in every case the name and address shall appear with the invitation. As, however, some readers may desire to make use of this column under an assumed name, or by the use of initials only, we have decided to treat such requests as advertisements, for which a prepaid charge of one shilling for every two lines will be made.

### Letter from a Reader.

DEAR SIR,—Accept my thanks for your introduction of "Our Friendship Column." I am certain it will fill a long-felt want. Take my own case for example: Out of a population of over 800,000 in Glasgow, I only know three people I can converse with on my pet subject, astrology. I don't doubt but there are some more, but as astrologers are such reclusive individuals, it is very difficult to get in touch with them. I therefore look upon this Friendship Column as a means of enabling me to ferret them out. I shall be pleased to hear from any one (either sex) whose planets are in friendly relationship with my own, which are as follows:—Asc. 20° ♌, ♀ in 1st, ♃ in 11, ☉, ♀ and ♀ in 12.

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### INVITATIONS.

MALE, born ♀ rising, 1856, ☉ in ♌, would like to correspond with lady with Sun in ♌, ♀, or ♀.—J. E. Bancroft, Melbourne, Derbyshire.

GENTLEMAN with Sun in Aquarius 22° 53' 55". Moon in Libra 28° 41', would like to correspond with lady or gentleman with ☉ in 28° ♌, ♃ in 22° ♌, or near these degrees (Ascendant ♌ if possible).—W.H.L., Norwood, S.A., c/o Editor, OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER, 4, Pilgrim St., London, E. C

GENTLEWOMAN wishes to meet gentleman with sign in affinity to August 9th.—N. de P., c/o The Editor, as above.

## Physiognomy and its Uses.

By PROFESSOR COATES, Ph.D., F.A.S.

**P**HYSGNOMY—from *physis*, nature; and *gnomon*, an interpreter—is the science of reading the character of the mind from the features of the face, the size, the form, the colour, and the expression being the leading points of observation. Physiognomy—to be thoroughly understood—reads the body as well as the face. The brain is not simply the organ of the mind—the whole organism expresses mind, manifests mind, is as the mind, and whatever it presents of form, or colour, or expression, will portray mind. The build, size, form, *make*, colour of hair and eyes—every move and gesture—the voice, and smile, or frown, are all significant indices of mind. All women and children, and nearly all men, are physiognomists, and read character in some way, and love, detest, admire, and befriend, or are suspicious of others according to the estimates of character which they form; yet how few can read character accurately, and fewer still point out the particular form or feature, points in detail or as a whole by which they have been influenced or guided in forming their judgment as to character. Physiognomy will help us to use the eye and the ear intelligently, and therefore scientifically, in estimating character. It will give to each form a meaning, to each colour an interpretation, and to every expression a reason. The words “height,” “length,” “breadth,” and “depth,” will be possessed by a vividness of thought not realised before. The simple straight lines and curves, which are the A B C of artistic perception, will glow with radiance as they become by intelligent combination the alphabet of the language of soul or mind, as seen in the head, face, and body of the person whose character is read by their aid.

A physiognomist is an interpreter of Nature—human nature. He is a physiographer of soul, a geologist of mind, a botanist of spirit. He casts his eye over the human face—as the geographer does over the physical features of the earth; the geologist at strata and specimens of soil; a botanist at a root or leaf—and pronounces the hidden qualities revealed by them. The geologist, for instance, proclaims the existence of gold, silver, lead, iron, coal, or mud underneath by external indications; so does the physiognomist, by similar special training, proclaim the real characteristics of the individual from surface inspection of form and feature.

Although the entire organisation proclaims character, the face is specially the index of the soul. No one requires to see a whole goose or a fox, an entire sheep or a lion, before deciding which is the goose or fox, the sheep or lion; a glimpse of the head and face is enough, and in some instances more than enough, to enable one to decide as to the character of the one or the other. In like manner to the physiognomist, the head and face present all the details necessary to form an estimate of character; for he knows, for instance, the face is, in fact, homogeneous in configuration or form (in

size and colour) with the organisation to which it belongs. As a naturalist can tell from one single bone the form and size, appearance, and *build* of the skeleton of the animal of which it formed a part, or from the animal itself what would be the size, form, and character of this or any particular bone, so should the physiognomist tell from the hand or foot, and most assuredly from the face, what are the leading peculiarities of health, physiology or temperament, which give to the face the differences which distinguish or individualise it from all other faces, and from special physical characteristics, gauge the mental nature, character, and disposition of the original. This is Physiognomy.

Physiognomy can be studied by any person of ordinary intelligence endowed with a love of Nature, and the significance of lines, curves, forms, or shapes through which Nature presents herself. It is founded on physiology, and interpreted by its means; yet a knowledge of physiology, as such, is not absolutely necessary. To the learned, equally with the unlearned, Physiognomy is a fascinating subject, although it may be a life-time study. A certain fitness is necessary for its correct application. Love often blinds the eye, or passion the judgment. If mistakes arise, none should despair in consequence: “The race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong.”

It is a singular fact, that University men, as a rule, are but insignificant readers of character. There are some who, like Gladstone, can master figures and give a charm to commonplaces—lead the masses by sterling ability and eloquence, and still be poor judges of character. Beaconsfield was a splendid leader and manipulator of men. He knew how to take advantage of the weaknesses, amiable weaknesses, of his admirers in the mass; courteous and considerate enough of those about him in private life, yet he never truly estimated character. Carlyle, the ponderous and indefatigable growler at men's short-sightedness and half-heartedness, was equally astray when he dealt with individuals. On the other hand, men who have turned their attention to individual members of society, or who have sought to deal with each person in detail, have been more successful readers of character. Such persons are generally interested in reformatory and philanthropic work, hence possess themselves quickened sympathies, acute perceptions, intuitive and physical insight to character; their life-work, training and association intensifying and deepening their insight and readiness to apprehend character. They see good where others see none, and, like Dr. Barnardo, grasp the inner nature where others may see only harsh outlines, dirt, and rags; detect emptiness and vanity where others are charmed with a pretty face—the product of good digestion, circulation, and unexhausted youth. Some read character and are scarcely aware of it, and act wisely, intuitively, and considerably in dealing with their fellows; while many claim to read

character who are ignorant of the first principles of Physiognomy. They merely clothe the object of their reading with their own contempt, cynicism, and suspicions. Dr. Chalmers was a shrewd reader of character. Dr. Livingstone aimed at knowing those about him, and so insensibly enlisted their confidence in his Master and in himself. Stanley, in his more mature years, learned to study men with greater keenness of insight. Writing of Stanley, I recall an incident mentioned by him "In Darkest Africa," which will help to illustrate this point. Speaking of Emin Pasha as an eminent naturalist, and, of course, as a man of science, and himself as a practical observer of men and things merely, he (now Dr. Stanley) writes:—

"I have been attempting to discover the reason why we two, he and I, differ in our judgments of his men. We have some dwarfs in the camp. The Pasha wished to measure their skulls. I devoted my observations to their inner nature. He proceeded to fold his tape round the circumference of the chest; *I wished to study the face*. The Pasha wondered at the feel of the body; I marvelled at the quick play of the feelings as revealed in the lightning movements of the facial muscles. The Pasha admired the breadth of the frontal bone; *I studied the tones of the voice*, and watched how beautifully a slight flash of the eye coincided with the slightest twitch of a lip. The Pasha might know to a grain what the body of the pigmy weighed, but I only cared to know what the inner capacity was.

"And this is the reason the Pasha and I differ about the characters of his men. He knows their names, their families, their tribes, their customs; and, little as I have been with them, I think I know their natures. The Pasha says they are faithful; I declare they are false. He believes that the day he leaves Kavalli they will follow him to a man; I imagine he will be awfully deceived. He argues that he has known them for thirteen years, and he ought to know better than I, who have not known them so many weeks. Very well, let it be so. Time will decide." And time did decide in Stanley's favour.

So much for Emin Pasha's method and that of Stanley's. The Pasha is a brilliant scholar, a devotee of science, a naturalist of the first order. He tabulates men, as he would bugs and beetles. He would pin them in rows as he would butterflies; classify and give them names. Nothing comes amiss to him—birds or vermin, insects or negroes. He would boil a pigmy for his skeleton, or the head of a Wanyoro for his skull, so that, in the name of science, he might present these things to the museums of his native land; do all this, and yet fail to sense character in its truer sense.

Stanley, on the other hand, delves down deeper into human nature. He would watch each being with the eye of a man who had little time for theories, and who takes nothing for granted; as one given to observe, decide, conclude, and execute in rapid order whatever seems to him to be right, without consulting others. Stanley reads books, and he reads men. Emin reads books and men. How different their methods. Emin is theoretical; Stanley practical. Emin graduated in Berlin—his *alma mater* is there. Stanley graduated in the university

of observation and experience; understands men; acts and speaks with wonderful confidence and that self-reliance which astonishes and magnetises men. Stanley is intrepid and brave—heartless and splendidly egotistic as he is viewed. His reputation and his deeds will live after him. His character will die with him. The nearest and dearest—so far as these could exist for him—will not, and never can, know him. I have little to do with his character. "Time will tell that." What I have to point out is his method of reading character—getting at the motives which influence, guide, direct, or determine. His method is right and will, and must, transcend all \*Calton-like processes in estimating character.

As the Infinite is one, and yet manifests himself in an infinite variety of ways, so is Mind one, yet manifests itself through a finite number of faculties. Some are known, some are unknown. Some are newly budding into influence as man progresses on his onward career. Others remain which still bear the stamp of his "fallen" or barbaric condition, when the needs of earthly existence, the instincts of self-preservation, animal desires, and sensuous gratification occupied his time and made life for him a terrible round of violent deeds to live, to preserve life, and to destroy life; to preserve himself from the encroachments of enemies, known and unknown, and to make sacrifices and propitiate gods little better than himself. From veriest barbarism to highest civilisation man passes in stages and semi-stages, now in bounds, and now in slow and irregular strides, often in apparent retrogression; still he advances. The history of man—infant, youth, manhood, maturity, decline, and extinction—is the history of the race. The feeble races die out before the more vigorous ones. Feeble infants make room for sturdier ones. The weak go to the wall. The stronger, more vigorous and virile in manhood and soul propagate, increase, and encompass the earth, sit in the gates, and their children, because of these things, prosper. "I have never seen the righteous forsaken nor his seed beg bread," said one illustrious writer. The off-spring of right-doing parents, endowed with healthy constitutions, good brains, and well-balanced minds, are never likely to beg bread. The children of vice and crime, of pampered dolls and dandified, lazy, lackadaisical fathers, aristocratic and otherwise, are *ill-begotten*, whether they are the result of licentiousness or ignorance, and they will help to fill the stream of social parasites and ne'er-do-wells. They will live on in some fashion, steal and beg, without honest labour, even where they do not make recruits for the vast army of those who fill our jails, penitentiaries, lunatic asylums, industrial homes, and workhouses; or the vaster reserve force of humanity, the "submerged tenth" who have barely escaped these receiving houses.

Humanity, black, copper-coloured, yellow, or white, savage or civilised, infantile or matured—as we find it now—is the product, good, bad, or indifferent, of the forces—racial, family, and individualising—which have preceded it.

\* Emin Pasha fails because, like Mr. Calton, in his measurement of skulls he takes no heed of the general situation of the brain. Absolute size of the head is of little importance, unless, indeed, due consideration is given to the relative masses of the brain.

You cannot gather grapes from thistles, nor figs from a willow bush, or good fruit from an evil tree. Common-sense, or any sense outside of pedantic book sense, will tell us this, and Physiognomy, rightly understood, distinguishes at once the grapes from the thistles, the figs from the willow bush, the good fruit from the evil tree. It undertakes to tell us what human thistles are like and what they are good for; willow bushes, their appearance and uses; figs, and where best to find them; points out to us the green bay trees which flourish by the river side, full of sap, of good appearance, and tells us, on examination, they bear no fruit fit for use when living, and are useless as fuel and not fit to build with when cut down. Humanity is full of green, bay tree specimens, all show and foliage, fruitless, and useless in a sense, not even decent shadows under which some poor tired one could take shelter and rest. They are useless in life, and valueless in death. Physiognomy helps us to read the signs. Physiognomy places a mental microscope in our hands, enables us to inspect our fellows as never inspected before; shows there are no accidents in nature, every hill and dale, every beast of prey, every bird, "clean and unclean," every animal, grub, and insect have their place and purpose in the eternal fitness of things, and that their character bears an invariable relation to their organisation. Man has his place in Nature, he is no exception, *as is his organisation so is his character*—on this rock I build, and defy the impotent wrath of men, learned or illiterate, to move me one "jot or tittle" from my base.

Physiognomy will reveal to those who care to read that the animal and spiritual are fearfully and wonderfully mixed in each human being. "Scratch the Russian and you will find the Tartar; delve into human nature deep enough and you will find the same weaknesses underlying all. 'There are none perfect: no, not one;' nor none so low but a spark of their soul-life will shine through some chink of their 'earthly tabernacle,' if you only know where to look for it, and bring it into conscious life. True, there are many defective and depraved human organisations in this world—*sans* heart, soul, or head—lacking spirituality, affection, and intelligence for all that is good, or having one thing and lacking another. To comprehend them fully, or uplift them, may be 'beyond the art of man.' Don't despair, but believe (and know) that deep down in each, although hidden from your sight under the debris of all that is sensual, devilish, and earthly, there is a priceless gem in each human casket—however untoward and unkempt the casket may be—which shall yet shine in the sunlight of eternal goodness 'sometime, somewhere,' when the fetters of all things evil—hereditarily cursed, and depraved mortal coil—shall be removed for ever."† However faintly man reflects the image of God at times; however degraded at any period in his progress as an individual, race, or nation, mankind have ever been human, distinctly possessing human traits. Whether pigmies, slow of development, undersized in mind and body; Oriental negroes; or Polynesian man-eaters, with a weakness for "long pig" or baked missionary; Australian grub-eaters, lank in

flank, pot-bellied in body, and prognathous in jaw, with retreating foreheads no better than pre-historic skulls, very animalised, thick in skin, gross in feeling, lean in mind, coarse and superstitious, and hapless like the Tierra del Fuegeans, with barely sense enough to live and keep out the cold; or the dirt-eaters of Central America, the Thugs of India—equally with the murderers and assassins and victims of modern fashions and civilisation—are human; be the mark of Cain on the human face, or does shine with ecstasy like the martyred Stephen, or the hallowed trusting peace of a beloved John; Physiognomy marks the signs, reads the writing, and interprets the meaning thereof.

Physiognomy, as a true "guide, philosopher, and friend," enters into our business, domestic, and private concerns. It will help the minister to know his people, when and how to advise and assist, when to reprove, and when to denounce. It will help the lawyer at sight to "take in" his client or opponent's witnesses, or his own, direct his judgment, counsel him how to act, where best to "best" his opponents "according to law," or protect the oppressed according to righteousness—*i.e.*, the truest instincts of head and heart; the business man to select his assistants—confidential clerks, the cashiers and salesmen, how to treat his customers and advance the best interests of his concern; the architect, builder, or engineer to select apprentices, and the best men to send out on commissions at home and abroad; the teacher to distinguish the various characteristics of his pupils—how to class them, and do them justice in the nature of their tasks and examinations—by moral treatment and personal attachment, how best to draw them out. To each mother, a help in difficulty to distinguish the differences between her children and the *why*, so that she may win their love, obedience, and duty, and advise them for the best in life. Last, though by no means least of the infinite applications of Physiognomy, it will help the young man and woman to select the most suitable life companions in health, temperament, qualities of mind and disposition best suited to each other; husbands and wives to mutual understanding and management; the housewife in the management of servants—whom to select and avoid. These are some of the benefits which a knowledge of Physiognomy will impart.

The above article is quoted from Professor Coates' work "How to Read Faces," price one shilling, which may be obtained from MESSRS. FOULSHAM & Co., 4, Pilgrim Street, Ludgate Hill, London, E.C.

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## XII.—OUR SOLAR SYSTEM.

**O**UR solar system ! What relation does it bear to the myriads of stars which we see twinkling in the firmament ? It is a question which has oft been debated, but it seems that the most feasible idea is as follows:—

Our little solar system, comprising the central Sun, with its attendant planets and their satellites, is but one of millions of similar solar systems all revolving round one central world, that great central sphere, the world of worlds which lies hidden from the eyes of earthborn sons and daughters for reasons which we cannot deal with here.

Once in every 25,920 years our Sun makes one revolution round the central world, and the annual procession of the equinoxes at the rate of 50" confirms this period. Those who have studied the Indian Cosmogony, and especially the information laid down in certain Theosophical Manuals, will find much food for thought in regard to this revolution of our luminary the Sun round some central pivot.

Again reason makes us believe that such revolution must and does exist. The Moon revolves around our Earth; the Earth and its companion planets round the Sun. Can it then be reasonable or logical to suppose that the Sun is the only body in the Universe that stands still ?

Astronomers tell us that stars are moving through space. Shooting stars and comets appear—are they stationary objects ? Double stars are known to revolve one round the other ; everything in the universe is in the condition of revolving. Where, then, is the reason or logic to suppose that our major luminary, the Sun, is the only object which has no motion at all ?

There can be no gainsaying the fact, however much some folk ridicule the idea, that our Sun, like every star (for, after all, it is but a star) has an appointed course to run, and that appointed course is a revolution round some central world.

It has been conjectured that Alcyone, the brightest star of the Pleiades, is the pivot of the Universe, but this is, of course, mere supposition. We think that the central world is hidden from mortal eyes through the sin and wickedness of this world.

## Correspondence.

### "Automatic Writing."

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—Adverting to the article on "Automatic Writing" in the current (August) number of the MESSENGER: In "Modern Astrology" for November, 1899, appeared a photograph and a physiognomic sketch of the clairvoyant astrologer, Charubel. The facts as supplied by your contributor certainly suggest psychic influence, and it would be interesting to hear, as opportunities offer, of further developments regarding the mysterious messages.

Yours faithfully,

Blackpool.

ATHENIAN.

To the Editor of OLD MOORE'S MONTHLY MESSENGER.

DEAR SIR,—In reading Mr. Ossiter's article on "Automatic Writing" in the August issue, he states that H. R. would like to know where a photo of "Charubel" can be obtained. I send herewith "The Degrees of the Zodiac," by Charubel, which contains his photo. You can send it on to him on the condition that he sends it back to me.

Yours faithfully,

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Springburn, Glasgow, N.B.

[Will H. R., who so kindly communicated the facts from which our contributor, A. R. Ossiter, compiled his article on "Automatic Writing," please write to D. Crichton, Muirfield Street, Dundee, a gentleman who was very much interested in "Charubel." Our contributor has unfortunately lost the address.—ED.]

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